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PROCEEDINGS

- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to call
- 3 the meeting to order.
- 4 Thank you, and welcome to our February 2002
- 5 meeting of the California Integrated Waste Management
- 6 Board. And would you please, at this time, join us in the
- 7 flag salute.
- 8 (Thereupon the Pledge of Allegiance was
- 9 recited in unison.)
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Would the
- 11 Secretary please call the roll.
- 12 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton is
- 14 detained, and so we're going to go ahead and start.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Here.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Present.
- 19 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Here.
- 21 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 22 Moulton-Patterson?
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Here.
- Okay, please turn off cell phones or at least the
- 25 wringers on them and pagers to avoid disrupting the

- 1 meeting.
- 2 Also, I'd like to remind you to keep conserving
- 3 energy on behalf of the Governor and the California
- 4 Legislature. We're doing our part to conserve energy and
- 5 to avoid waste by printing a limited number of agendas.
- 6 They're on the back table, and there's also speaker's
- 7 slips there. If you'd like to speak to us on an agenda
- 8 item, please fill out a speaker form and give it to Ms.
- 9 Villa. Also, I'll be taking a five-minute public comment
- 10 before lunch today at 20 to 12:00.
- 11 And with that, do any members have ex partes?
- 12 Mr. Jones?
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks, Madam Chair. Just
- 14 two. Both of them on conversion technology. I received
- 15 earlier this morning one from Gary Liss and one from Tim
- 16 Judge from the Masato Resource Group.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 18 Mr. Medina?
- 19 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I have two, Madam Chair.
- 20 John Tedorovich, vice president of operations for LTR
- 21 Asphalt Products and Robert Schwartz from All American
- 22 Asphalt, All American Aggregates.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Paparian?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm up to date.

1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, and I'm up

- 2 to date.
- 3 Mr. Jones?
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Sorry, just one more, I
- 5 forgot. I've also got George Larson on the way into the
- 6 room on the nonhazardous/hazardous stuff. Sorry about
- 7 that.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 9 Jones.
- 10 And before we go to reports, and I'll be
- 11 mentioning this also when he arrives, I just wanted to add
- 12 congratulations to Mr. Eaton for being appointed for a
- 13 second term. And he was appointed by past Speaker
- 14 Hertzberg, and he will serve until January 2006. So
- 15 congratulations to Mr. Eaton. And I know we'll all give
- 16 him our congratulations when he arrives. He was stuck in
- 17 traffic this morning.
- Mr. Jones, would you like to give any remarks or
- 19 reports?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'll just do a quick one,
- 21 because we've got a long meeting today. I had a good
- 22 two-day tour with Deb Barns from Cal EPA. She and I went
- 23 on a road show down in southern California and visited
- 24 eight different facilities in two days. It was
- 25 informative for her. It was informative for me. And

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1 really I made her get up at about 4:30 in the morning on

- 2 the second day to look at what Puente Hills looks like at
- 3 5:30 in morning before the gates are even open, and you
- 4 see four lines of trucks a half a mile long, it will give
- 5 you an appreciation about people sitting in line waiting
- 6 to get inside a facility. So it was a good trip, and I
- 7 just thought I would pass that along.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 9 Jones. And Ms. Barns is quite a trooper, and she told me
- 10 it was very beneficial though.
- 11 (Laughter.)
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I attended the meeting of
- 14 the Asphalt Pavement Association in Los Angeles on January
- 15 the 24th. I spoke at the Used Oil Forum that the Board
- 16 hosted on January the 30th, 2002.
- 17 And I presented the Board's RAP awards in Carson,
- 18 California on February the 6th. And that particular event
- 19 was very well attended by a number of the RAP award
- 20 recipients from that particular area.
- 21 And I have an amendment to make in regard to the
- 22 ex partes. I met with a Barry Takallou with the Crumb
- 23 Rubber Manufacturers.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you for
- 25 attending that RAP award event down in southern

1 California. I know they appreciated it, Mr. Medina.

- 2 Mr. Paparian.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 4 Actually, I was an interloafer on a couple of the visits
- 5 that Mr. Jones was talking about visited the SYNAGRO
- 6 composting facility and the El Sobrante Landfill, both
- 7 very intriguing facilities right next door to each other.
- 8 I also testified before Senator Romero's Senate
- 9 Select Committee on urban landfills regarding electronics
- 10 waste. There were representatives of the Department of
- 11 Toxic Substances Control, local government, nonprofits,
- 12 such as goodwill, environmental groups and industry all
- 13 discussing the issue.
- 14 And, you know, what was clear is it is a big
- 15 issue. It is something that a wide range of folks are
- 16 recognizing that something needs to be done on. And I
- 17 know Senator Romero is intending to introduce legislation.
- 18 And I'll update the Board further in a month or two on
- 19 what's going on with the national NEPSI process that I've
- 20 been part of.
- 21 I also wanted to thank a few of the staff who
- 22 have been helping me out on the environmental management
- 23 system project for the Cal EPA headquarters. A number of
- 24 staff have been quite helpful in that. John Sitts has
- 25 been sitting on the Committee that is working on the

1 project along with Andrew Hurst also on the Committee.

- Jill L. Jones has been extremely helpful in
- 3 putting the meetings together. Jean Estes is putting
- 4 together that Intranet web site, and Renee Lawver has been
- 5 helping us with a lot of technical and other information
- 6 about EMS projects.
- 7 So I wanted to make sure all those staff, I hope
- 8 I didn't miss anybody, but quite a few folks have been
- 9 very helpful on this EMS headquarters project.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 11 Paparian. And we're really glad to have your leadership
- 12 in that. And also thank you very much for testifying
- 13 before Senator Romero's committee. We've very much
- 14 appreciate your expertise and you sharing that at her
- 15 committee meeting.
- 16 Also, I believe Senator Roberti is testifying
- 17 before them, is that this morning or tomorrow? Tomorrow
- 18 morning on -- so we appreciate that and we'll be getting a
- 19 report from him.
- Okay. On my report, first of all, I want to
- 21 thank Ms. Packard again for attending and representing the
- 22 Waste Board at the staff Open Forum in the bay area. I
- 23 know that can be a long day, but it is very important, and
- 24 we really appreciate, since none of us could go, that you
- 25 were there to represent us. I heard you did a fine job,

- 1 and thank you.
- 2 I attended the ones. There were three down in
- 3 southern California in El Monte and many, many of the Air
- 4 Board members and other members of Cal EPA attended that
- 5 one. And then we had two up at the State building in Los
- 6 Angeles. And they were very well attended and the staff
- 7 in southern California seemed to very much appreciate that
- 8 Secretary Hickox and the executive officers or the Chairs
- 9 of all the Boards and Departments of Cal EPA came down and
- 10 spent the day with them.
- 11 And also, I wanted to announce after seeing how
- 12 large our agendas have become, 52 items last month and
- 13 this month, and also seeing how well our budget
- 14 subcommittee is working, I would like to announce today
- 15 the formation of three additional subcommittees. These
- 16 would include a subcommittee for Diversion, Planning and
- 17 Local Assistance, which has a huge workload; Permitting
- 18 and Enforcement; and Special Waste.
- 19 These would be noticed to the public, and you'll
- 20 be hearing more about the details about when they will be
- 21 scheduled and so forth from Mr. Leary when he has a chance
- 22 to get them all scheduled.
- I believe I don't know if he plans to phase them
- 24 in, but certainly the DPLA committee will be up and
- 25 running as soon as possible.

1 And I would like to appoint, and I will announce

- 2 the following board members to each subcommittee and ask
- 3 that each subcommittee choose their own chair.
- 4 Diversion, Planning and Local Assistance, I'd ask
- 5 Michael Paparian to serve on Danny Eaton and Steve Jones.
- 6 Permitting and Enforcement, I'd ask Senator Roberti Jose
- 7 Medina and Steve Jones. Special Waste and Market
- 8 Development, again, Danny Eaton and Senator Roberti and
- 9 myself. Budget and Administration, which we've already
- 10 been meeting, will remain the same, myself, Mike Paparian
- 11 and Jose Medina. And Mr. Medina will be chair of that
- 12 group.
- 13 These subcommittees will permit each board member
- 14 to serve on two and will be bringing back the logistics as
- 15 I said later on, but I did want to publicly announce
- 16 those. These are public meetings and we'll be getting
- 17 back to the public on the details.
- 18 And Mr. Leary with that I'll turn it over to you
- 19 for your Executive Director report.
- 20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Thank you, Madam
- 21 Chair. Good morning and morning members.
- 22 I'd like to start by first publicly expressing my
- 23 appreciation to Deputy Director July Nauman for filling in
- 24 for me when I was on a little respite to nicer climates
- 25 during the month of February. Julie did a terrific job

1 and I found my to do list in much better shape when I

- 2 returned than what I left. So, again, thanks to Julie for
- 3 helping me out there.
- 4 I have a couple of items to report on. First of
- 5 all, in regards to sudden Oak Death it's impact on the
- 6 compost industry. Last week the U.S. Department of
- 7 agriculture announced emergency regulatory action
- 8 attempting to limit the separated of the fungus
- 9 Phytophthora Ramorum, which causes Sudden Oak Death.
- 10 The USDA's regulations took effect immediately
- 11 and generally are more restrictive than regulations that
- 12 the California Department of Food and Agriculture has
- 13 already in effect.
- 14 Both the State and the federal regulations place
- 15 restrictions on the movement of a "host" material,
- 16 including wood and wood products, and nursery material of
- 17 species found to be contaminated with the fungus within a
- 18 ten county northern California region. Those 10 counties
- 19 include Monterey San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz,
- 20 Solano, Alameda, Marin, Mendocino, Napa and Sonoma. And a
- 21 part of one county in Oregon.
- 22 As you may know staff have been participating
- 23 with the CDFA on the California Oak Mortality Task Force.
- 24 We've gotten involved because composting facilities that
- 25 receive the host material from the regulated area have

1 emerged as a potential path for spreading the fungus, and

- 2 restrictions on the movement of the compost could impair
- 3 the product marketing.
- 4 We've been exploring with CDFA other alternatives
- 5 to be included in their regulations that will allow the
- 6 use of composting as a treatment for the host material
- 7 that's infected by the fungus, that is based on a recent
- 8 University of California research documenting that the
- 9 fungus is killed by a two-week period of exposure to high
- 10 temperatures generated during windrow composting, which is
- 11 just what our composting regulations require.
- 12 Staff has discussed this alternative task force
- 13 and the CDFA and have drafted a treatment protocol that is
- 14 pending submission to CDFA for their inclusion in their
- 15 regulations. Pat Paswater from the markets division and
- 16 Alan Glabe in the P&E division are our experts and are
- 17 working closely with CDFA. Feel free to contact either of
- 18 those individuals if you have any questions on the
- 19 subject.
- 20 Another compost related matter, of course, is
- 21 clopyralid, which I've reported to you in the past. Some
- 22 composting operators have voluntarily submitted samples of
- 23 their products to an independent lab to test for the
- 24 presence of clopyralid, and we are awaiting reports of
- 25 those results. We've scheduled a discussion item on this

1 issue at the March 6th Agenda Briefing Workshop. And

- 2 we'll have an accompanying agenda item based on the
- 3 information we have to date.
- 4 We know, at this point, the Department of
- 5 Pesticide Regulation will attend that meeting. And Dow
- 6 AgroSciences, the manufacturer of Confront, which is the
- 7 main pesticide containing clopyralid and numerous other
- 8 composting and organizations have been notified and will
- 9 be attending that meeting on the 6th.
- 10 On January 29th and 30th of last month, the Used
- 11 Oil and Household Hazardous Waste branch hosted the Used
- 12 Oil Recycling Forum, a statewide conference held here in
- 13 the Cal EPA building and which drew 175 local government
- 14 and nonprofit business, State and federal agency
- 15 representatives working on used oil and household
- 16 hazardous waste management programs.
- 17 Assemblyman Anthony Pescetti provided the opening
- 18 remarks on the first day and Board Member Medina provided
- 19 the opening remarks on the second day.
- 20 Technical sessions on topics such as social
- 21 marketing, program evaluation, grant writing and a public
- 22 outreach campaign highlighted the active agenda.
- 23 Forum evaluations have been very positive and
- 24 indicate that attendees especially appreciated the
- 25 opportunity to tour our new headquarters and to learn

1 about the Waste Reduction Recycling Energy conservation

- 2 and green procurement practices that occur in this
- 3 building.
- 4 I'd like to thank Kristin Yee and Natalie Lee for
- 5 the organizing the forum and to all the branch staff who
- 6 moderated the technical sessions and to the Buy Recycled
- 7 Program and the Office of Integrated Education for
- 8 providing resources and information booths during the
- 9 event.
- 10 And finally, I'd like to report, and this is with
- 11 a great of deal of excitement really, is that we're about
- 12 to go live with an audio broadcast of our board meetings
- 13 next month. Since 99, we've been providing an audio
- 14 broadcast of the boards meetings with access limited to
- 15 our staff due to computer network constraints.
- 16 We've found that the internal audio broadcasts to
- 17 be very beneficial allowing interested staff to multitask,
- 18 listening on the Board's proceedings from their desktop
- 19 PCs while doing other things. It has always been our goal
- 20 and I know it's been the Board's goal to extend this same
- 21 benefit to the public.
- 22 About eight months ago in response to your
- 23 questions on this subject, Gary Arstein-Kerslake indicated
- 24 that we were moving ahead seeking to develop an approach
- 25 that would take advantage of high speed Internet

1 connection shared by all of our organizations within Cal

- 2 EPA.
- 3 I'm pleased to announce that we've worked out
- 4 that shared use agreement with our fellow boards and
- 5 departments for the Internet Connection and that scheduled
- 6 installation date is in early March.
- 7 Gary has assured me that we will be ready for our
- 8 first web-based audio broadcast in time for the March 12th
- 9 board meeting in El Centro. We've had the legal office
- 10 review propose wording for the statement regarding these
- 11 new capabilities that will be noticed along with the
- 12 Board's meeting announcement so that everything should be
- 13 ready to go.
- 14 So beginning next month, anyone with a PC or Mac
- 15 from Mogadishu the Montreal or to Beijing to Bangor,
- 16 they'll be able to connect to the Internet and have access
- 17 to our web site and listen in on our meetings and I know
- 18 there are millions out there waiting to hear what we're
- 19 doing.
- 20 (Laughter.)
- 21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Than concludes my
- 22 report.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I was just going
- 24 to ask if you could report back to us on our ratings when
- 25 those come back.

- 1 (Laughter.)
- 2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Watch out Rikki Lake.
- 3 (Laughter.)
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you,
- 5 Mr. Leary.
- 6 And Ms. Barns you missed some great compliments.
- 7 We said what a trooper you are and anybody who could be at
- 8 Puente Hills Landfill at 5:30 in the morning, might hat is
- 9 off to. I've been there, but not at 5:30 in the morning,
- 10 so thank you.
- 11 Okay. There will be a closed session today and
- 12 we decided to have that at the end of today's meeting.
- 13 And Items 2, 4, 12, and 44 have been pulled, that's 2, 4,
- 14 12 and 44. Items 20, 23, 34, 35, 37, 39, 51 and 52 have
- 15 been proposed from the consent agenda.
- 16 And before I ask if any boards members would like
- 17 to pull any items, please let the record reflect that Mr.
- 18 Eaton is here. And, Mr. Eaton, we were all saying how
- 19 glad we are that you were reappointed by Speaker Hertzberg
- 20 and for another four-year term, so congratulations to you,
- 21 Mr. Eaton.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 23 It's glad to be back, and hopefully we'll be able to
- 24 accomplish even more than we have in the past on a good
- 25 road. And for all of you, it should come as no surprise

1 that none of us hit the lottery and we're all here today.

- 2 (Laughter.)
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: That's for sure.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: So thank you, again, and
- 5 let's go.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Would you
- 7 like to pull any agenda consent items?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: No, I'm fine, thank you.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Do we have
- 10 a motion for the consent calendar?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chair.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I would like to pull item
- 14 number 20, as I have some changes that I'd like to propose
- 15 in that particular item.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. So Mr.
- 17 Medina is pulling Item 20.
- 18 Any others?
- 19 Okay, we have items 23, 34, 35, 37, 39, 51 and 52
- 20 remaining.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'd like to move adoption of
- 24 the consent calendar, items 23, 34, 35, 37, 39, 51 and 52.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.

1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We have a

- 2 motion by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr. Medina to approve
- 3 Items 23, 34, 35, 37, 39, 51 and 52.
- 4 Please call the role.
- 5 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Okay, the consent calendar is approved. Also, I
- 16 would like to mention we'll hear Agenda Item 41, on
- 17 conversion technologies at 1:30 p.m. time certain
- 18 tomorrow.
- 19 And that brings us to continued business agenda
- 20 Items, number one.
- 21 Mr. Schiavo.
- 22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: Okay. Pat Schiavo.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Madam Chair, before Mr.
- 24 Schiavo goes, I think I only have one ex parte.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Oh, I'm sorry,

- 1 Mr. Eaton.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's fine. It's not a big
- 3 deal. Usually I'm up to date, but I got a fax late Friday
- 4 from the City of San Diego regarding the health risk
- 5 assessment contracts.
- 6 That's it.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you,
- 8 Mr. Eaton.
- 9 Okay, Mr. Schiavo.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: Okay. Pat Schiavo,
- 11 Diversion Planning and Local Assistance Division. And
- 12 this item is consideration of staff recommendation on the
- 13 application for an SB 1066 time extension by the City of
- 14 Loma Linda San Bernardino county Kaoru Cruz will be making
- 15 this presentation.
- 16 MS. CRUZ: This item was continued from last
- 17 month's agenda. Last month's meeting the board raised a
- 18 concern regarding the extent of information provided on
- 19 the analysis of the city's SB 1066 request. Due to this
- 20 concern, there was extensive discussion as to the review
- 21 process for the SB 1066 request at this month's Board
- 22 briefing.
- 23 Also, board staff presented additional
- 24 information that can be included in the future SB 1066
- 25 request agenda items. As a result of briefing, changes

1 have been made to the options for the Board's consolation.

- 2 Please refer to the handout that have been provided to
- 3 you.
- 4 Option number 2 was modified. And options 3 and
- 5 4 where added for board consideration. In summary, there
- 6 are three options, the Board may consider to approve a
- 7 time extension request, option 1 through 3. And there are
- 8 2 options, number 4 and 5, the Board may consider when
- 9 disapproving a request.
- 10 With regards to the history behind the City of
- 11 Loma Linda's SB 1066 time extension request, the City was
- 12 given a compliance order as a result of the 1995/96
- 13 biennial review. Board staff conducted an assessment of
- 14 the City's program implementation at that time and it's
- 15 relationship to the City's wastestream.
- 16 Together, the city and the Board staff developed
- 17 a plan of correction to be included as part of the City's
- 18 compliance order that required the City to conduct a new
- 19 base year generation study and review its existing program
- 20 implementation relative to the findings of that new study.
- 21 The City's new base year study was approved at
- 22 the January Board meeting. Result of the new base year
- 23 generation study indicated that the City had been
- 24 successfully targeting its residential waste stream.
- 25 For example, over one-third of the City's

1 diversion was from its residential sector, but that there

- 2 were gaps in diversion programs that targeted the
- 3 commercial sector, which was found to be the larger
- 4 sector.
- 5 The City has since implemented programs that
- 6 target its larger commercial sector. However, it would
- 7 need additional time to see the fruits of its labor, which
- 8 is the basis for the City's request for the time
- 9 extension.
- 10 Therefore, board staff feel that the city has
- 11 demonstrated a good faith effort and is requesting that
- 12 the Board approve its SB 1066 time extension.
- 13 Representatives from the cities are present to answer any
- 14 questions.
- This concludes my presentation.
- 16 Thank you.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 18 Questions?
- 19 Mr. Paparian.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, thank you Madam
- 21 Chair. Now, are we talking about the 1066 options as part
- 22 of this agenda item?
- 23 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: Yeah, those would be
- 24 available as well.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay, because --

1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: They're based on our

- 2 Discussion last week at the briefing.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: On that particular thing,
- 4 I still I mean I've only had a chance to look at this
- 5 quickly, but I still believe the Board has the option as
- 6 it reviews a 1066 extension to recommend changes from the
- 7 dais. And, you know, when we have the agenda items come
- 8 to us, I think that is a clear option that we would have
- 9 would be to recommend changes and then ask the City to
- 10 come back at a future board meeting and either accept our
- 11 changes or not accept our changes as they choose fit.
- 12 And then if they choose not to, then we have
- 13 these other options, but I think we do have, under the
- 14 law, a clear ability to recommend changes without
- 15 specifically having to disapprove a plan or approve a plan
- 16 as we're recommending those changes.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: Yes, that's an option.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: You know, I would
- 19 agree too. And one of the things about the new
- 20 committees, some of those suggestions might come out in
- 21 the Subcommittee also, but certainly we reserve our right.
- 22 Mr. Eaton.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Mr. Schiavo, what if we were
- 24 to grant a three-year period of time from which then to
- 25 meet their statutory obligation, what intervening

- 1 reporting and/or mechanisms are available to us for
- 2 tracking purposes. We don't want to get to, you know, in
- 3 the 36-month period to the 30 month and then find out
- 4 something isn't working.
- Is there someway that, following up on Mr.
- 6 Paparian's point, that we can kind of put into a process,
- 7 either a reporting process back to us or a progress, you
- 8 know, as long as each year there is a requirement that a
- 9 city or a jurisdiction must, you know, report to the Board
- 10 as opposed to reporting to staff, so that we can keep a
- 11 handle on it?
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: Sure. There appears to
- 13 be flexibility in the law that way, where you can require
- 14 a report twice a year, quarterly, if you'd like, annually,
- 15 you have the flexibility, depending on your level of
- 16 interest and concern.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay, thank you.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yeah. I think that the
- 20 recording, for me at least, once a year with an update if
- 21 members want it sooner, that's fine. But I do want to go
- 22 to Mr. Paparian's question, because I think we did talk
- 23 about it at the briefing. But if maybe through the
- 24 Committee system, we can review these and say have you
- 25 thought about this or have you thought about that, but I'm

1 wondering, from a legal standpoint, if we say you should

- 2 do this kind of program and it fails, who's liable for
- 3 that failure?
- 4 Because clearly the City is coming forward with
- 5 their idea of how they may be able to get there, and
- 6 they're doing it with day-to-day information. And if we
- 7 suggested a program that fails or it somehow hinders, then
- 8 how much liability are we going to accept for giving that
- 9 direction, if we mandate it?
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Good point, Mr.
- 11 Jones.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I think it's an
- 13 interesting question, but I think the law is actually very
- 14 specific in allowing us to make recommendations. It
- 15 says --
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I don't question that. What
- 17 I'm questioning is if you exercise that part of the law,
- 18 what are you going to do to be held responsible for it?
- 19 If a city fails because of one of our recommendations,
- 20 what's our responsibility in that?
- 21 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I think that's something
- 22 to bring up as -- if and when we bring up recommendations.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay, but I just wanted it
- 24 out there, because I thought about what your comments
- 25 were, and clearly these are a pallet of different colors

- 1 to try to make a picture, locally. And I don't have a
- 2 problem with even asking more questions as to why they're
- 3 doing certain programs, but if we were to say, I think you
- 4 should institute this kind of a program, that's going to
- 5 take dollars. And if it fails, and maybe it -- or maybe
- 6 they didn't want to do but we said you had to do it, how
- 7 are we going to have ownership of that?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I think in a more extreme
- 9 sense when we do compliance orders often we do similar
- 10 recommendations or mandates essentially to the cities that
- 11 implement programs, so I mean it's not a brand new issue
- 12 for us.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm going to come
- 14 back to you, Mr. Paparian, but Senator Roberti is here and
- 15 I wanted to make sure that he got an opportunity to report
- 16 any ex partes.
- 17 Senator?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I'm up to date.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 20 Senator.
- 21 Mr. Paparian.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you. If we're done
- 23 with the 1066 list, I wanted to get on to Loma Linda.
- Okay.
- 25 I do have some -- as I said at the last meeting

1 and I said at the briefing that I wanted to come up with

- 2 some resolution language to address my concerns that this
- 3 not be considered a precedent for other localities. I had
- 4 some problems with the 1066 request when looked at in
- 5 isolation by itself. When looked at together with the
- 6 item that we approved on Loma Linda last month and other
- 7 information that we have and the staff audits of Loma
- 8 Linda, when taken as a package, I'm more comfortable with
- 9 it.
- 10 So I want to read the resolution, then I wanted
- 11 to make should comments about Loma Linda. What I wanted
- 12 to do was add a whereas clause in the resolution, and
- 13 members should have copies of this.
- 14 The whereas would read, "Whereas, the review of
- 15 this request was based in part on information about
- 16 program implementation that the Board possessed as a
- 17 result of audits that board staff conducted to evaluate
- 18 the City's request for a new base year, and as a result of
- 19 the City's completion of a compliance order, and therefore
- 20 the Board's review of this 1066 time extension is unique.
- 21 And its approval should not be considered as a precedent
- 22 for subsequent requests from other jurisdictions.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. If you
- 24 don't have a -- does everybody have a copy of this?
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, I do.

1 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. On Loma Linda

- 2 itself, just a couple little comments. Loma Linda has one
- 3 of the more active consultants on board helping them out.
- 4 And I actually went and took a look around Loma Linda. I
- 5 asked the question last month, if I went to City Hall
- 6 would I be able to see all the recycling bins and it would
- 7 be very visible?
- 8 And I went to City Hall, and actually to be
- 9 honest, when I walked around City Hall I did not see the
- 10 recycling bins. I saw the big dumpster in the parking lot
- 11 for recycling in the corner of the parking lot for people
- 12 to drop off. But one of the suggestions I would have, Mr.
- 13 Tsang, is you may want to work with the City to make
- 14 recycling more visible in the local government offices
- 15 because it's certainly wasn't to me as I walked through
- 16 there.
- 17 When I went over to the library, a very nice
- 18 library right next door, I took a look at the City Council
- 19 agendas that are available for the public to look at and
- 20 noted agendas as recently as January, 100-page agendas
- 21 with all the attachments and so forth all single sided.
- 22 That's one of the, you know, first and easiest things that
- 23 we can do is double side our copies and reduce the amount
- 24 of paper.
- 25 I don't know if others receiving council agendas

1 receive them double sided, but certainly the library

- 2 receives them single sided.
- 3 I also note that, you know, there's some items in
- 4 here that ought to be fairly easy to implement. There's a
- 5 very nice park that the City has that seems to get a fair
- 6 amount of use. There's no recycling bins at the park. I
- 7 think that's actually in your 1066 request that you're
- 8 actually going to start implementing some of the recycling
- 9 bins at the park.
- 10 There's some very nice local newspapers there.
- 11 The Chamber of Commerce has a circulation 10,000
- 12 newspaper, the Loma Linda report and I know that Mr.
- 13 Tsang's clients are members of the Chamber of Commerce.
- 14 If it's printed on recycled paper, I can't find it. It
- 15 may be in here, but I couldn't find any indication that
- 16 it's printed on recycled paper.
- 17 But in terms of bringing the community on board
- 18 and helping the markets, I think that working with the
- 19 community, working with folks, like the Chamber of
- 20 Commerce and others to make sure that they're using
- 21 recycled content products and promoting the recycling
- 22 ethic is important to the overall success of all our
- 23 programs.
- 24 So when we're ready Madam Chair, I'd like to make
- 25 the motion.

1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, I'm going

- 2 to come right back to you, but Senator Roberti would like
- 3 to speak.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Yes Madam Chair, I'm
- 5 concerned that if we give Loma Linda an extension when
- 6 earlier on they did not seem to comply with the one
- 7 mitigation which was major, and that was the construction
- 8 of a MRF, and they're at 38 percent now, then in my humble
- 9 estimation, we might as well put the entire 50 percent
- 10 diversion rate into a hat and toss it away, because there
- 11 are going to be few cities or jurisdictions coming before
- 12 us that are going to have a less compelling case than Loma
- 13 Linda, which seems to have the least compelling case.
- 14 Since they didn't do what they set out to do and
- 15 that is the construction of the MRF, I can't remember how
- 16 many years ago, and now we're talking in terms of a
- 17 three-year extension.
- 18 So I'm afraid this is going to be a first of a
- 19 steady progression of 1066s, which, in effect, will render
- 20 our 50 percent compliance almost nebulous, and, you know,
- 21 render our terms of office here as, with all respect to my
- 22 colleagues, wonderful paychecks, but really in the long
- 23 run achieving nothing as far as compliance.
- We, at some point, have to reject what a city
- 25 does when they are not complying. And when the minimum

1 hasn't been complied with and that is construction of the

- 2 MRF, we have to say no, and have the nerve to say no
- 3 because I know it's very, very tough. I have nothing
- 4 against Loma Linda. It's a wonderful place with a great
- 5 hospital.
- 6 But I think this probably is going to be one of
- 7 the least compelling cases that comes before us. Their
- 8 numbers are low, and they haven't done what they set out
- 9 to do, and told us they were going to do. And if we a
- 10 approve a three-year extension on this one, we might as
- 11 well just ditto this for every other case that's coming
- 12 up, because everybody will point to Loma Linda and say you
- 13 did it for them and we have a much stronger case than they
- 14 do. So I intend to vote no, and I believe that Loma Linda
- 15 should be on a compliance order.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 17 Senator.
- 18 Any other comments?
- 19 Mr. Jones and then Mr. Eaton.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks Madam Chair, I'm
- 21 going to either make the motion or second Mr. Paparian's
- 22 motion, because I think that the issue of the MRF is
- 23 important, and I think it's something that needs to be
- 24 investigated. I remember there was a time when it was
- 25 pretty much advertised, and this Board took action that

1 you can't just go out and keep doing new base years and

- 2 figure compliance based on a base year's fictitious
- 3 number.
- 4 This 38 percent has been audited by our staff and
- 5 is a legit 38 percent. We've built an infrastructure in
- 6 this state that goes up and down this state and we built
- 7 it in ten years, which is incredible. We lead the nation
- 8 in what we're doing.
- 9 The fact that SB 1066 gives jurisdictions a
- 10 chance, it also has on it the conditions that they review
- 11 their programs, look at what they need to change and
- 12 continue towards compliance with the law. And I think
- 13 when we tie that with the SB 2202, where not only do they
- 14 get this time period to help get to the next level for
- 15 them, every two years this Board is going to look at the
- 16 biennial reviews and determine whether or not a
- 17 jurisdiction is in compliance, still in compliance, making
- 18 a good faith effort or not making a good faith effort.
- 19 That's something that the law when originally
- 20 written didn't include. So we're going to get a bite of
- 21 this apple every two years to make sure that jurisdictions
- 22 continue to comply. And if they don't comply, and we put
- 23 them on a compliance order, and they don't comply with the
- 24 compliance order, then it's time to fine that
- 25 jurisdiction.

1 But I think the law was carefully crafted. And I

- 2 think the law also with SB 1066 giving jurisdiction's time
- 3 to modify their programs as long as the modification, in
- 4 my mind, is not the creation of compliance by some
- 5 numerical mystery, but actually real programs, then I've
- 6 got no problem with supporting local government to do
- 7 that.
- 8 And I think that actually the way I feel about it
- 9 is that that is exactly why we were put on this Board to
- 10 make sure that we keep the pressure on, that we keep
- 11 people moving forward. And I think we don't give
- 12 ourselves enough credit, that this State is at 42 percent
- 13 diversion, and they did that through a lot of hard work
- 14 and a huge amount of investment by both citizens industry
- 15 and local government.
- 16 So if Mr. Paparian's going to make motion after
- 17 Mr. Eaton's comments, I'll second it.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 19 Mr. Eaton.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Yes, thank you, Madam Chair.
- 21 I think all of the points have been salient. And I think
- 22 the digestive track for all us is starting to constrict a
- 23 little bit as to what we're willing to swallow and what
- 24 we're willing to pass through.
- 25 My point here and the point that I raised a

1 couple of weeks ago, with all due respect, Mr. Jones, the

- 2 biennial review, the problem that I have with the biennial
- 3 review is that, yes, they're completed every two years,
- 4 but by the time this Board gets to see them, we have at
- 5 least let another 6 to 8 months go, so it's really three
- 6 years for us to review them, and that's the problem with
- 7 the reporting period.
- 8 That's no fault of anyone. That is not a value
- 9 judgment, but I think that it's true, it's in the law, but
- 10 by the time we get to see that, it's not really there.
- 11 Therefore, a reporting requirement that's on a
- 12 much more regular basis, much like what we do with some of
- 13 these jurisdictions, whether it be Loma Linda or others, I
- 14 think is really appropriate. And more importantly, I
- 15 think for a city like Loma Linda, 18 months, I could
- 16 never -- I thought, you know, two years was great. And I
- 17 understand that a year is very difficult because it takes
- 18 time for the local governments to work through their
- 19 political process, their financial process, et cetera.
- 20 But three years is a long time to let a
- 21 jurisdiction such as Loma Linda -- I'd be willing to
- 22 accept 18 months with a reporting requirement, because at
- 23 least at that point if they continue to fail to meet what
- 24 they say they're going to do as they have already proven
- 25 in the past, ergo Senator Roberti's points, we will at

1 least have an opportunity early on in the quarterly or

- 2 every six month reporting to see that, and to be able to
- 3 intercede. And I think that's a compromise that I will
- 4 offer up.
- 5 But if it's going to be three years, I can't
- 6 accept that either, because it's just letting it go too
- 7 far. And by that time we will have no ability by which to
- 8 make any kind of mid-course correction. And further more,
- 9 one more point, that just by approving the corrective
- 10 action plan, we are, in essence, condoning and saying we
- 11 don't leave ourselves a way out.
- 12 So it's kind a six to one half a dozen to the
- 13 other, in a sense that, if we go in and tell them what
- 14 programs to do, we are, in essence, telling them, yes, you
- 15 know, the liability for us really is is that we have all
- 16 tried to go hand in hand and therefore no harm, no foul,
- 17 good faith effort like we've done in the compliance area,
- 18 but just to proving an overall corrective plan.
- 19 So I would ask my colleagues to consider, at
- 20 most, an 18-months with Loma Linda and with stringent
- 21 reporting requirements that are brought before the Board
- 22 or the Special Waste or whatever appropriate subcommittee
- 23 there is, so that we can see the progress that Loma Linda
- 24 is making both with the commitments they've made to this
- 25 Board, because that's the key component, if they make a

1 commitment, then they ought to keep it as we're making a

- 2 commitment to provide whatever resources we can through
- 3 our programs.
- 4 So with that, that would be something that I
- 5 would ask you to or Mr. Paparian, whoever is going to make
- 6 the motion, to consider.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina is
- 8 next and I'd like to speak and then Mr. Jones.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yes, Madam Chair. I must
- 10 say that I have to agree with both Board Member Paparian
- 11 and Board Member Jones in regard to their concerns
- 12 regarding local government, having come from local
- 13 government myself.
- 14 However, I think that what Senator Roberti and
- 15 Board Member Eaton have to say is very valid. I, myself,
- 16 am concerned that Loma Linda did not meet the diversion
- 17 goal by implementing a MRF in 1994 and other programs.
- 18 Whereas other jurisdictions have met the goal,
- 19 and already have received a compliance order. And as
- 20 former board member used to say, it's not bad being placed
- 21 on a compliance order given that the Board is committed to
- 22 assisting the jurisdictions in achieving the required
- 23 diversion goal, and that our staff is ready and able to
- 24 provide the technical assistance required.
- 25 Even though, the three-year extension is not

1 meant to be precedent setting. I'm afraid that it will

- 2 be. And so, at the same time, I don't want to deny the
- 3 extension of time for Loma Linda, and so I also would
- 4 favor an 18-month extension with the required reporting.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 6 Medina. I share your concerns having come from local
- 7 government also. But I do think it's too long, and I'd
- 8 rather see something back in 18 months. I mean some of us
- 9 won't even be on this Board, and you lose the history.
- 10 And I certainly think that there could be some reporting.
- I'm not ready to vote for compliance, at this
- 12 point, but, you know, on the other hand, I would like to
- 13 see some reporting back.
- 14 Can be that be done?
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: Yes.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks, Madam Chair. And
- 18 along those lines, you're going to get a chance, Mr.
- 19 Schiavo, because I want to ask you the same question. And
- 20 I appreciate Mr. Eaton's comments, and all of my
- 21 colleagues' comments, but I do have a question.
- Do we have an ability through SB 1066 in the
- 23 mechanism that you've set up, and especially since the
- 24 Chair announced today that we're going to go into
- 25 committees, which is going to give us a monthly ability to

1 do our business, do we have the ability if we were to give

- 2 a three-year extension to have not only a requirement of a
- 3 progress reporting every six months or whatever is the
- 4 Board's pleasure, but at the 18-month interval that they
- 5 come in front of the Committee for a formal review to give
- 6 us an update as to what parts of their plan they've
- 7 implemented, where are they at in the stage, so that we
- 8 cannot get caught off guard, that, in fact, that the end
- 9 of a three-year period nothing's been done other than
- 10 maybe some magic.
- I don't know if that appears what some of the
- 12 questions are, but it would seem to me it would give us a
- 13 real hands-on notification. And like any other program
- 14 you try to implement it, and at some point, you evaluate
- 15 you it and you revise it. This 18-month review by the
- 16 Committee would facilitate actually evaluating and
- 17 revising it. Is that legally possible or could it be part
- 18 of the commitment, I mean, part of the resolution?
- 19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: Well programmatically,
- 20 I believe we have a lot of discretion whether or not we go
- 21 over the legal -- I mean Elliot would have to answer that,
- 22 I don't believe we would.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: You don't believe we would
- 24 have the authority to do that?
- 25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: We would be going over

- 1 beyond the law. The law gives us a lot of discretion
- 2 regarding the reporting back to the Board on the progress.
- 3 I mean, as far as the how often, what kind of reporting,
- 4 that is, it's not specific at all. So I believe we would
- 5 have a lot of discretion whether it's 18 months, 36 months
- 6 whatever.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay, and I don't know if
- 8 this appeases the members' concerns, and I agree with
- 9 their concerns. I just look at from a little -- it takes
- 10 awhile to get this stuff purchased and implemented, but if
- 11 we had a mechanism as part of these compliance orders that
- 12 they come into committee for a formal review, and I'm just
- 13 saying committee, we should be able to look at their menu
- 14 and you should be able to make like three columns that
- 15 says where you are, what's your progress, what's
- 16 remaining, if you are you've done the program, what's the
- 17 participation rate, what kind of -- you know, does this
- 18 meet your expectation or doesn't it? And if it does,
- 19 fine, if it doesn't, what are you doing to do to improve
- 20 that?
- 21 I mean, would that -- does that sort of -- what
- 22 I'm trying to fashion here, I know you know that, is give
- 23 the cities the time, but to give us the oversight at
- 24 six-month intervals -- I mean at year and a half that we
- 25 get an actual progress report, because that would still

1 give a jurisdiction 18 months to make the revisions. I

- 2 don't know if that --
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think in
- 4 looking at the Committee, I just appointed Mr. Paparian,
- 5 Mr. Eaton and Mr. Jones on the Diversion, Planning and
- 6 Local Assistance Subcommittee, there's a variety of
- 7 outlooks. And I think if we could have an 18-month status
- 8 report get to that committee within two months of its
- 9 submittal, you know, make sure it gets there, I think that
- 10 the Committee -- if the whole board needs to see it, it
- 11 could, but at least it would get to the Committee. I
- 12 think that would be a step in the right direction. I
- 13 don't know how you feel about that, Mr. Eaton.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Madam Chair, I think we're
- 15 close, and we're trying to balance the competing
- 16 interests. What I would say is that any time you have a
- 17 report submitted, then you need some time by which to
- 18 evaluate that report.
- 19 So I would say that after a year they have to put
- 20 it in. And I would go so far as to say rather than an
- 21 18-month extension, a two-year extension, and that would
- 22 give a year after you've got your first report to get a
- 23 progress in. And more importantly, they do have the
- 24 option to apply for an additional extension.
- 25 So if they, after the first 24-months, i.e. a

1 two-year period, show that they are moving along, then

- 2 it's really almost proforma that they get the other -- the
- 3 next things, and that would then give them the ability.
- 4 But I think we have to maintain some level of
- 5 pressure on those individuals who work within the
- 6 departments, and we all know the reality right here that
- 7 there's competing interests. And the only time that the
- 8 dog barks around here is when we, once in awhile, come
- 9 around and give a little bite. I think by keeping the
- 10 pressure in a short period of time, we have the ability to
- 11 look at what's going on and keep a closer handle on it.
- 12 So I'll go so far as giving a two-year extension,
- 13 but after the first year, to be able to have -- to get
- 14 them a report, or if you think, you know, one year is too
- 15 short a time for reporting, then what we'll do is, you
- 16 know, like within 15 months or something like that in half
- 17 time, we'll get an idea of like, you know, what the
- 18 half-time report is, because that will give us the
- 19 opportunity to go out and actually see.
- 20 It also bothers me that we have a representation
- 21 where recycling bins where there, and Mr. Paparian a
- 22 fellow board member goes out there and sees nothing. So
- 23 it's those kinds of things with this particular
- 24 jurisdiction that leads me not to go much further than two
- 25 years. And I'm just doing it because I think that it is

- 1 the first one.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 3 STAFF COUNSEL BLOCK: Madam Chair.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Let's see, I have
- 5 a lot of people that want to speak.
- 6 Mr. Paparian and then Mr. Block.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I was actually going to
- 8 ask the legal staff how we would frame, if it's two-year
- 9 extension with a one-year report --
- 10 STAFF COUNSEL BLOCK: Elliot Block for the legal
- 11 office.
- 12 Actually, just a couple of quick comments. In
- 13 terms of the legal authority question that was raised
- 14 earlier, certainly the Board does have the general legal
- 15 authority. Obviously, the have the authority to
- 16 disapprove the request in total. So, obviously, there's
- 17 some room in there for the Board to move.
- 18 The more difficult part of the question is the
- 19 logistics of how this proceeds. The jurisdiction has
- 20 submitted a three-year request. It's a plan that shows
- 21 how they will meet 50 percent in three years. If the
- 22 Board is now going to -- is indicating they want to make
- 23 that a two-year time period, currently there is no plan
- 24 that shows them meeting 50 percent in two years. And so
- 25 there needs to be an opportunity potentially for the

1 jurisdiction to revise that plan, to show how they'll meet

- 2 50 percent in two years. And then also the other issue
- 3 about exactly how you're -- the reporting is going to
- 4 be -- what might need to be put in there.
- 5 So third comment I wanted to make is you probably
- 6 want to ask the jurisdiction to speak here today to see.
- 7 It's possible, they may be willing to and able to now to
- 8 say they can make those changes as a of now, in which case
- 9 the logistics become very easy.
- 10 I'm personally not familiar with exactly how the
- 11 plan timelines are set out, if they can commit to
- 12 shortening those here today, in which case it's easier.
- 13 If they're going to need some time to revise that plan of
- 14 correction to be a two-year extension, then we probably to
- 15 have to bring them back again next month.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 17 Block. Would the City's representative come forward and
- 18 let us now how you feel about this.
- 19 MR. BARTON: Yes, my name is Dennis Barton. I'm
- 20 the Public Works Superintendent for the City of Loma
- 21 Linda.
- 22 Obviously, we'd like to go with the three years.
- 23 The reporting requirements we can come in 18 months, we
- 24 can come in a year, every year and give you an update on
- 25 the progress that's being done.

1 I'm a little dismayed, Mr. Paparian, indicated he

- 2 didn't see the recycling bins. You're right, we have one
- 3 outside. And all the rest of them at every work station
- 4 are the little blue containers for recycling, so I
- 5 apologize you didn't see those.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: In the public areas there
- 7 are quite a few trash bins. Like, for example, outside
- 8 the City Hall Chambers where you would expect people to
- 9 have a lot of people that they would dispose of after, you
- 10 know, a meeting and so forth, and there are no -- in the
- 11 public areas there was no visible recycling containers.
- 12 MR. BARTON: You're correct, and we'll work on
- 13 that. We'll get that done. On the parks, I would
- 14 indicate that the recycled bins from DOC have been
- 15 received and we'll be installing those within the next
- 16 month, not only in the parks area, but in the trail areas
- 17 that we've indicated.
- 18 And I will check on and make sure that chamber
- 19 paper is being used on recycled paper or that there's an
- 20 indication on it that indicates that.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I think -- go ahead.
- MR. BARTON: The reporting requirements, again,
- 23 we can do that annually. As you've indicated they're
- 24 startup. We feel we are making progress. We feel that
- 25 that's the whole idea of this is making progress. So the

1 two years, again, we'll have to go back and reanalyze our

- 2 plan. I think we can, but we need to look at that.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti,
- 4 and then I had a question.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Have we ever heard why the
- 6 City of Loma Linda did not build the recycling facility?
- 7 MR. BARTON: Well, I believe it's because there
- 8 was a whole bunch of them proposed around the area to be
- 9 constructed. So there really wasn't -- I don't believe
- 10 there was really a thought or a need to do that at the
- 11 time, after things got going. I would have to go back and
- 12 really look at the why. For the last few years I couldn't
- 13 answer that.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Was that lack of need, the
- 15 perception of a lack of need on the part of Loma Linda
- 16 communicated to the Board?
- MR. BARTON: I can't answer that. I don't know.
- 18 I would say during this last couple years, probably so.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Because a major concern of
- 20 mine is that when the representative of a jurisdiction
- 21 comes before the Board and says they are going -- I'm sure
- 22 probably it wasn't you, and says they are going to make a
- 23 major effort to comply with the diversion requirement, and
- 24 then don't do it, at some point that has to be treated a
- 25 serious business. Both by the City and by this Board.

1 And if it's just sort of treated as oops we

- 2 didn't do it and oops you should have, then, you know, it
- 3 renders presentation before this Board, you know,
- 4 relatively meaningless. So I'd be interested as to why.
- 5 MR. BARTON: I will check on it and see if I can
- 6 find the answer for you.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I just had one
- 8 quick question. And I understand that the Loma Linda
- 9 hospital is a private organization at 78 Venice. It's
- 10 nationally recognized, but it's very, very big. And maybe
- 11 could you review with me again what efforts you've made to
- 12 work with them on recycling efforts or what efforts you
- 13 might have planned for the next two years.
- 14 MR. BARTON: Yes. We've worked with them, and
- 15 actually they've got some pretty good programs going on
- 16 themselves. One of the things that we want to look at is
- 17 food waste recycling and see if that's feasible for them.
- 18 They have built into all of their construction
- 19 contracts at this time a C&D program, so that it's in
- 20 every construction contract according to our contacts
- 21 there in the construction management area.
- 22 So that's where we've been working with them.
- 23 And I think --
- 24 MR. TSANG: Eugene Tsang a consultant for Loma
- 25 Linda.

- 1 What is the question again?
- 2 MR. BARTON: Do you remember what their diversion
- 3 rate was, isn't a year and a half ago?
- 4 MR. TSANG: We actually did a case study. I
- 5 don't remember the exact diversion number. I think it was
- 6 in the low 40 percent, in and of itself. They have a
- 7 pretty extensive paper program in some buildings, but not
- 8 all the buildings. And I think we're attacking the issue
- 9 through a wet dry. But as I indicated before, the wet dry
- 10 particularly with the paper from the medical offices, we
- 11 have to be very careful with the fugitive medical wastes.
- 12 The other issue is the food waste in the school,
- 13 because the cafeterias and also the hospital, that is a
- 14 major component, and we're doing a pilot program, have
- 15 that planned for this year, but those are the two top
- 16 waste stream components in that area.
- 17 In addressing the MRF, it isn't the PARIS form
- 18 that the city wasn't investigating a MRF with other
- 19 cities, and that the materials are being taken to a MRF in
- 20 another city. There is sufficient capacity. And we've
- 21 been working with their hauler, they found it more cost
- 22 effective to use existing capacity rather than to build a
- 23 new one.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Mr. Tsang, was that MRF in
- 25 existence at the time?

- 1 MR. TSANG: Yes.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Was it in existence in
- 3 1995?
- 4 MR. TSANG: No. These are recent MRFs. They
- 5 were built after the submission of the SRRE. And they've
- 6 been updating -- the city has been updating in the PARIS
- 7 form since 1995, but they've been working with other
- 8 city's and taking materials out of the City to other MRFs,
- 9 so that's why they haven't built a MRF themselves. It's a
- 10 very small. There's less than 400 businesses.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I understand that, but
- 12 wasn't the original request to -- wasn't the original
- 13 position taken by the City that they were going to build a
- 14 MRF?
- 15 MR. TSANG: The original position with all the
- 16 regional studies was they were going to look at building
- 17 their own MRFs. But as MRFs developed, they developed
- 18 their natural waste sheds, and it was found that they
- 19 didn't need to build a MRF so they used a MRFs outside of
- 20 the city.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I understand that. My
- 22 point, as much that they should have complied with the
- 23 building of the MRF, is that is a decision that Loma Linda
- 24 should not have made on its own, since they made a request
- 25 of the Board to, in effect, I believe give an extension in

1 1995 on the 25 percent requirement. And then they didn't

- 2 comply with the extension, because they decided that a
- 3 regional MRF was better, and maybe it was, but that's a
- 4 decision that the Board should have made.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, Mr.
- 6 Paparian.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes. I think the Board
- 8 members have all pretty much declared themselves about how
- 9 they feel about this thing. And what I'm sensing is that
- 10 there's not enough votes. I think it's pretty clear
- 11 there's not enough votes for a three-year extension that
- 12 if we were talking about a two-year extension with a
- 13 one-year report, that there appears to be the votes for
- 14 that, from what I'm hearing people say at the dais.
- 15 What I'm hearing the representative from Loma
- 16 Linda saying is he's not quite sure -- he's not quite
- 17 ready to go there. I'm wondering --
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I thought he said
- 19 that he could go for a three-year with one year reports,
- 20 but he couldn't go for a two-year, was that right?
- 21 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah. And what I'm
- 22 trying to express is that I don't -- unless anybody has
- 23 been swayed up here, I'm not seeing enough votes for this
- 24 thing to get out, and I'm wondering, if perhaps, the City
- 25 wants to ponder the situation a little bit, maybe over our

1 morning break and, you know, consult with our staff and so

- 2 forth before we actually take a vote on this.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: That sounds good
- 4 and we do need a morning break, so we're going to take ten
- 5 minutes and we'll be back to you.
- 6 MR. BARTON: Okay.
- 7 (Thereupon a brief recess was taken.)
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to call
- 9 our meeting back to order, please.
- 10 Ex partes.
- 11 Mr. Eaton.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I spoke with Chuck Helgut
- 13 momentarily on Item number 49, which is the base year
- 14 change for Daly City.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Jones.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Jim Hemminger from RCRC on
- 18 landfills.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 20 Medina.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: None to report.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: None.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: None to report.

1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And I have none.

- Okay, we're still on Item number 1. Did the
- 3 cities representative, I'm sorry, I've forgotten your
- 4 name, could you restate your name for the record?
- 5 MR. BARTON: Dennis Barton Loma Linda.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Did you
- 7 wish to make any statement?
- 8 MR. BARTON: Yes, we can go with the two years.
- 9 Looking at our plan, our implementation is really the
- 10 major implementation is in two years. We needed a third
- 11 year really to evaluate those programs, see how it's
- 12 working if we needed to add a do the reporting, so we can
- 13 do the two years and the one-year reporting.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 15 We look forward to working with you if it's granted.
- Mr. Paparian.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. Here's what I'd
- 18 like to suggest based on that, is that I'd like to go with
- 19 the revised resolution with the whereas language that I
- 20 read this morning, make the change to a two-year extension
- 21 per the city's statement just now.
- 22 And then in terms of reporting, we've heard
- 23 several numbers, number of months come suggested for
- 24 reporting.
- 25 Here's what I'd like to suggest is that we get a

1 progress report every six months, that we review it in a

- 2 year by the subcommittee so that we get the reports every
- 3 six months. If we saw anything, we could certainly ask
- 4 for a review sooner, but in terms of anymore formal review
- 5 of where we're at, we'd have the Subcommittee do that at
- 6 the one-year timeframe.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And that's in the
- 8 form of a motion?
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes. Have you got that?
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I will second Mr. Paparian's
- 14 revised motion.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, so we have
- 16 a motion by Mr. Paparian, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve
- 17 resolution 2002-48 with the revisions.
- 18 Please call the role.
- 19 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye. Madam Chair.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And I shouldn't have
- 23 actually voted. And inquiry, are we going to require them
- 24 to be resubmit a modified two-year plan based on that
- 25 track? I mean, is that a legal status, Mr. Block, that

1 the question you raised that will this, you know, because

- 2 the plan is three years, do they then have to submit a
- 3 modified plan on the two-year track for the extension just
- 4 so all the Ts and Is are dotted?
- 5 STAFF COUNSEL BLOCK: We will --
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And that way we at least --
- 7 they can't come back to us and say well, we approved the
- 8 three-year plan for implementation even though we only had
- 9 a two-year extension. Therefore, we need another year by
- 10 which to complete the plan as approved by you.
- 11 STAFF COUNSEL BLOCK: To the extent that there
- 12 are modifications necessary in the plan, and as was
- 13 mentioned they're mostly related to monitoring and the
- 14 like, we'll have those done, but those would not need to
- 15 come back before the Board.
- 16 We'll just make sure that those modifications are
- 17 done. The record of today's meeting will indicate that
- 18 the jurisdiction was amenable to a two-year extension.
- 19 And the resolution, I don't remember now if it actually
- 20 says two-year or three-year, but we can certainly add that
- 21 into the resolution if that were held.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: The original resolution
- 23 said three years. I said that my resolution changes that
- 24 to two years, then with the six-month updates, and the one
- 25 year review.

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1 STAFF COUNSEL BLOCK: So that --
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- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have it on the
- 3 record that the City has agreed to this.
- 4 Thank you, Mr. Eaton and Mr. Block.
- 5 Please call the roll.
- 6 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 8 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 10 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 12 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 14 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 15 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair, if I can just
- 16 explain my vote on it. I think this is a much better
- 17 resolution. However, I am going to vote no, not because I
- 18 intend to vote no on every compliance order, but absent a
- 19 concrete showing that one active leniency on the part of
- 20 the Board, in this case the construction of the MRF was
- 21 passed upon. I'm not inclined to give a second one.
- 22 And I know that there is some argument to the
- 23 contrary on that, so I intend to vote no to make it clear.
- 24 That's not because I intend to vote no on every compliance
- 25 order, but because of the peculiarities of this one.

- 1 My vote is no.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 3 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 5 Okay, the motion was approved with the revisions.
- 6 Item 2 was pulled.
- 7 That brings us to Item number 3.
- 8 Ms. Nauman.
- 9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Good morning, Madam
- 10 Chair and Board Members. Julie Nauman of the Permitting
- 11 and Enforcement Division.
- 12 Agenda Item number 3, which you have a revised
- 13 item, and there are copies in the back, is consideration
- 14 of a new standardized compost permit for the green
- 15 material compost facility at Cold Canyon Landfill located
- 16 in San Luis Obispo County.
- 17 And Georgianne Turner will make the presentation.
- 18 MS. TURNER: Good morning as Julie mentioned on
- 19 page give there have been changes to the item. These are
- 20 minor and editorial. We've revised some dates. And we've
- 21 also corrected a typo. We said RDSI instead of RCSI.
- 22 This proposed permit will allow the expansion of
- 23 the green material compost facility at Cold Canyon
- 24 Landfill and to include 5 to 12 acres and --
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Just a second.

1 We're having some technical difficulties.

- 2 Try it again.
- 3 MS. TURNER: Can you hear me? Thank you to
- 4 increase the permitted facility area from 5 to 12 acres,
- 5 to increase the site capacity from 10,000 to 45,000 cubic
- 6 yards of active compost at any given time, and to increase
- 7 the daily loading from 60 to 200 tons per day, and to also
- 8 change the hours of operations from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30
- 9 p.m., seven days a week to allowing feed stock and
- 10 composting processing to occur between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00
- 11 p.m., seven days a week with the allowance of cleaning and
- 12 maintenance activities to happen between 7:30 and 4:30
- 13 p.m. seven days per week.
- 14 As you know, the Board staff was unable to make a
- 15 recommendation because the amendment to the San Luis
- 16 Obispo County NDFE had not been approved. However,
- 17 previous to this item, Item 51 on the consent calendar,
- 18 the Board approved the amendment, and therefore the
- 19 location of this facility is now identified in the
- 20 county's NDFE and the facility is in conformance with
- 21 Section 50001, of the PRC.
- 22 This allows Board staff to make all the necessary
- 23 findings, and therefore we recommend concurrence in the
- 24 issuance of the proposed permit and adoption of the
- 25 resolution number 2002-88.

1 Steve Fuller of the LEA and Bruce Rizzoli of the

- 2 operator and Sean Edgar of the Operator's consultant are
- 3 here to answer any other questions that you might have.
- 4 And this concludes my presentation.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 6 Any questions?
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair?
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I would like to move
- 10 adoption of Resolution 2002-88, the standardized compost
- 11 permit for the Green Material Compost Facility at Cold
- 12 Canyon Landfill in San Luis Obispo County.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We have a
- 15 motion by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr. Medina to approve
- 16 Resolution 2002-88.
- 17 Please call the roll.
- 18 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 20 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 22 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 24 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.

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1 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
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- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 3 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 5 Okay. Item 4 was pulled.
- And so that takes us to Item number 5.
- 7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Item number 5, which
- 8 also you have a revised item for this, is consideration of
- 9 a new standardized compost permit for nursery products
- 10 composting facility, San Bernardino county.
- 11 Dianne Ohiosumua will make the presentation.
- 12 MS. OHIOSUMUA: I, along with Christopher
- 13 Ravenstein of San Bernardino County's Local Enforcement
- 14 Agency will be discussing Agenda item number 5.
- 15 The proposed permit is to allow the operation of
- 16 a new composting facility. Most of the biosolid feed
- 17 stock will originate from the City of Adelanto Sewage
- 18 Treatment Plant. The sewage sludge is digested and
- 19 dewatered. The final product has undergone pathogen
- 20 reduction, that is sufficient to label it Class B.
- 21 Under the Code of Federal Regulation part 503,
- 22 standards for the use or disposal of sewage sludge. In
- 23 addition the report of composting site information states
- 24 that, "The anticipated average delivery is 240 tons of
- 25 sewage sludge and 240 tons" -- I mean not tons, "cubic

- 1 yards of green waste per day."
- Board staff and the LEA have determined that all
- 3 the requirements for the proposed permit have been met.
- 4 At this time, staff would recommend that the Board adopt
- 5 permit decision number 2002-12 concurring with the
- 6 issuance of solid waste facility permit number 36-AA-0420
- 7 for the nursery products composting facility.
- 8 The San Bernardino LEA and the representative of
- 9 nursery products composting facility are in the audience
- 10 and available to answer any questions you may have.
- 11 That concludes staff presentation.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just one quick thing. You
- 16 identified the facility permit number, I think in your
- 17 presentation? Did I mishear hear?
- 18 MS. OHIOSUMUA: 36-AA-0420.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay, good. It didn't sound
- 20 that way. And I didn't want it on the record that there
- 21 would be a different number. I apologize.
- 22 Madam Chair, I'd like to move adoption of
- 23 resolution 2002-12, the standardized compost permit for
- 24 nursery products, compost facility in San Bernardino
- 25 county.

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1 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
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- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Motion by Mr.
- 3 Jones, seconded by Mr. Medina to approve 2002-12.
- 4 Please call the roll.
- 5 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Okay, number 6.
- 18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Item number 6 and 7 we
- 19 can take as a group. They'll both be presented by Keith
- 20 Kennedy. These are two fairly old permits dating back to
- 21 1978 from Mono County that we've been working very hard
- 22 with them to update. And the first of them is 6, which is
- 23 consideration of a revised full solid waste facility
- 24 permit for the Bridgeport Landfill in Mono County.
- 25 MR. KENNEDY: Good morning Madam Chair and Board

- 1 Members.
- 2 The Bridgeport Landfill was last permitted in
- 3 1978. If facility is owned and operated by the Mono
- 4 County Department of Public Works. The facility primarily
- 5 serves the town of Bridgeport.
- 6 As you might imagine, virtually every aspect of
- 7 the proposed permit is being redefined to better reflect
- 8 the existing practices at the landfill.
- 9 The revised permit allows for the following
- 10 changes, a decrease in the disposal tonnage from 1,825 to
- 11 150 tons per year. The Bridgeport Landfill is going to be
- 12 used primarily as an outlet for construction and
- 13 demolition waste from the Mono County Public Works
- 14 projects.
- 15 Because of the size of the county, which is the
- 16 three times the size of Sacramento County, it makes
- 17 greater economic sense to periodically bury the
- 18 construction and demolition waste rather than to haul it
- 19 to the county's central landfill, Benton Crossing, some 63
- 20 miles away.
- 21 The majority of the municipal solid waste
- 22 currently generated in the community is going to be taken
- 23 to the newly constructed Bridgeport transfer station
- 24 located within the landfill's boundaries. The waste will
- 25 then be compacted and transferred to the county's central

- 1 landfill for final disposal.
- 2 Several other operational changes are being
- 3 defined in this proposed permit. They include a reduction
- 4 in the landfill's boundary from 40 to 38.5 acres based on
- 5 a more accurate survey; a change in hours of operation
- 6 from 24 hours per day, 365 days per year to three days per
- 7 week 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; a defined maximum elevation
- 8 and depth; and finally redefining and decreasing the
- 9 closure date from 2138 to 2003. The Mono County
- 10 Department of Public Works has identified the Bridgeport
- 11 Landfill for closure ahead of schedule.
- 12 Staff would like to make the Board aware that the
- 13 Bridgeport Indian Colony, a federally recognized tribe, is
- 14 located directly south of the Bridgeport Landfill. Board
- 15 staff have been in contact with the tribe on several
- 16 occasion to discuss the proposed permit.
- 17 The tribe has had issues with blowing litter from
- 18 the landfill. However, the tribe's representative stated
- 19 that they have not had to complain about the litter since
- 20 the previous summer, and that the construction of the new
- 21 transfer station meant that the landfill was headed in the
- 22 right direction.
- 23 Board staff did not identify any violations of
- 24 State minimum standards during the prepermit inspection.
- 25 Board staff has determined that all the requirements for

1 the proposed permit have been fulfilled. In conclusion,

- 2 staff recommends that the Board adopt Board Resolution
- 3 number 2002-19 concurring with the issuance of solid waste
- 4 facility permit number 26-AA-0002. This concludes staff's
- 5 presentation.
- 6 Should you have any questions, Evan Nikurk,
- 7 Assistant Director of the Mono County Public Works
- 8 Department and Jim Goodlow the LEA from Mono County are
- 9 available and I would also be happy to answer any
- 10 questions.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 12 Questions?
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina, did
- 15 you have a question?
- 16 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yes, Madam Chair. I would
- 17 like to propose a change to the permit.
- 18 And given that the Bridgeport Landfill is
- 19 adjacent to the Bridgeport Indian Colony, and I'm glad to
- 20 hear that you had contact with the Indian Colony, and they
- 21 are favorably disposed, at this time, I would still like
- 22 to insert language on page 610 of the permit, 17(b).
- 23 The language that I'd like to insert would read,
- 24 "The log shall also include complaints lodged by the
- 25 Bridgeport Indian Colony." And for the resolution I'd

1 like the resolution at the end to read, "as amended". So

- 2 as the language is adopted, I'd like to have the
- 3 resolution to read "as amended."
- 4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Madam Chair, if I might.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, Ms. Nauman.
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: The LEA is present and
- 7 it would probably be appropriate to have the LEA come
- 8 forward and indicate their agreement that they would make
- 9 that change. It's really the LEA's authority and
- 10 prerogative to condition the permit.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 12 MR. GOODLOW: I'm Jim Goodlow with the LEA of
- 13 Mono County, and we wouldn't have any objection to that.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you
- 15 for stating that.
- 16 Mr. Jones, did you have a comment before we get a
- 17 motion?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: No, I don't have a
- 19 problem -- I mean, I do have a problem with part of that,
- 20 but not the issue. I mean the issue of the litter I was
- 21 actually contacted a couple of years ago and tried to do
- 22 some work to make sure that got taken care of.
- 23 But I think the change needs to come from the
- 24 LEA. If the LEA wants to make the change, then that's
- 25 okay, because we either vote them up or vote them down, so

1 if you want to make the change to include that reference,

- 2 then I'd have no problem, because I think we've got to
- 3 protect the integrity of this process.
- 4 I think it's a good suggestion. I have no
- 5 problem with the suggestion, but it's clearly the LEA's
- 6 call. So rather than agree, I mean, if you want to submit
- 7 it, then that's what we're voting for.
- 8 MR. GOODLOW: Sure, we could do that. We could
- 9 submit it. Would it hinder the process going forward
- 10 right here?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: No. Are you going to put it
- 12 in?
- MR. GOODLOW: Yes.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Do you want to put it in?
- MR. GOODLOW: Sure.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chair, I would like
- 18 to move resolution 2002-90, consideration of a revised
- 19 solid waste facility permit for the Bridgeport Landfill
- 20 Mono County. And the resolution, again, as amended with
- 21 the language that has been inserted.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Second.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion
- 25 by Mr. Medina, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve resolution

- 1 2002-90 with the amendment.
- 2 Please call the roll.
- 3 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 5 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 15 Item number 7.
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Item 7 is consideration
- 17 of a revised full solid waste facility permit for the
- 18 Walker Landfill in Mono County.
- 19 Keith Kennedy.
- 20 MR. KENNEDY: The Walker Landfill was also last
- 21 permitted in 1978. The facility is owned and operated by
- 22 the Mono County Department of Public Works. The facility
- 23 primarily serves the town of Walker. As with the
- 24 Bridgeport permit, virtually every aspect of Walker's
- 25 proposed permit is being redefined to better reflect the

- 1 existing practices at the landfill.
- 2 The revised permit allows for the following
- 3 changes, a decrease in the disposal tonnage from 730 to
- 4 150 tons per year. Benton Crossing Land fill -- Benton
- 5 Crossing, the county's central landfill is over 93 miles
- 6 away from Walker Landfill, so the county is going to use
- 7 this landfill primarily as an outlet for construction and
- 8 demolition waste from Mono County Public Works Projects.
- 9 The majority of the municipal Solid waste
- 10 currently generated in the community is going to be taken
- 11 to the newly constructed Walker Transfer Station located
- 12 within the landfill boundaries.
- 13 Waste will then be compacted an transferred to
- 14 the county's central landfill for final disposal. Several
- 15 other operational changes are being defined in this
- 16 proposed permit. They include a change in hours of
- 17 operation from 24 hours per day 365 days per year, to
- 18 three days per week 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. with a defined
- 19 maximum elevation and depth and increase in the closure
- 20 date from 2078 to 2162.
- 21 When the original permit was issued in 1978, the
- 22 closure date the projection was essentially an estimate by
- 23 the County on how many trenches could fit into the site
- 24 boundary, and how much waste each of these trenches would
- 25 hold.

1 Since the area fill method is now utilized at the

- 2 landfill, and only construction and demolition type waste
- 3 will be accepted, the closure date has been recalculated
- 4 using the final grading plan, which extended the site life
- 5 an additional 84 years.
- 6 During the prepermit inspection, board staff did
- 7 identify three violations for sight security, grading and
- 8 intermediate cover. However, upon a second inspection of
- 9 approximately two weeks later all of the violations had
- 10 been corrected.
- 11 Board staff has determined that all the
- 12 requirements for the proposed permit have been fulfilled.
- 13 In conclusion, staff recommends that the Board adopt board
- 14 resolution number 2002-91 concurring with the issuance of
- 15 solid waste facility permit number 26-AA-0001.
- 16 This concludes my presentation. I'd be happy to
- 17 answer any questions.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have a
- 19 question. You know, here we're increasing the landfill
- 20 life for 85 years, and they have a lot of violations. And
- 21 I guess I still don't understand why we would increase it
- 22 that much.
- MR. KENNEDY: Basically, the way they're
- 24 disposing of waste, it used to be in just small narrow
- 25 trenches, and now they're using the area fill method to

- 1 dispose of the, basically, inert construction and
- 2 demolition waste. Therefore, they have a lot more space
- 3 that they can fill.
- 4 And they're only going to be taking, you know,
- 5 roughly 150 tons per year. So the site life projection
- 6 has therefore been recalculated and extended.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And the LEA is
- 8 comfortable that they're not going to continue all these
- 9 permit violations.
- 10 MR. KENNEDY: I can't answer for the LEA.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: No, since he's
- 12 here.
- MR. GOODLOW: Yes, we're comfortable with it.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any other
- 15 questions?
- 16 Okay Mr. Jones.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Before I make the motion, I
- 18 do want to thank this county. This is one I identified in
- 19 the briefing that has taken over the operations of these
- 20 landfills from a private contractor that used to sub for
- 21 them, and I think sent their operator to the landfill
- 22 operator training, this is the one.
- 23 So I think we're going to see increased
- 24 capability and competency at these sites. And wherever
- 25 the assistant director is, I'm glad that you did that,

- 1 because it will make for better operations.
- 2 I'm going to move adoption of resolution 2002-91,
- 3 consideration of a revised full solid waste facility
- 4 permit for the Walker Landfill in Mono County.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I'll second board member
- 6 Jones motion.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion
- 8 by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Medina to approve resolution
- 9 2002-91.
- 10 Please call the roll.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 19 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 21 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Number 8.
- 24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Eight is consideration
- 25 of a revised full solid waste facility permit for the

1 Western Placer Waste Management Authority Materials

- 2 Recovery Facility located in Placer County.
- 3 Christine Karl will make the presentation.
- 4 MS. KARL: Goods morning, Madam chair and members
- 5 of the Board. Item number 8 considers a revised solid
- 6 waste facility permit for, as Julie just told you, Western
- 7 Placer Waste Management Authority Materials Recover
- 8 Facility in Placer county, which is owned by the
- 9 authority.
- 10 The proposed permit increases the amount of solid
- 11 waste processed daily from 1,000 to 1,200 tons, increases
- 12 the vehicle traffic from 411 to 468 vehicles per day,
- 13 changes the hours and days for waste receipt and
- 14 processing, and removes the hours of operation from the
- 15 household hazardous waste collection facility from the
- 16 permit.
- 17 Staff has found the proposed permit in compliance
- 18 with all laws and regulations within the Board's
- 19 authority, and recommends the Board concur with solid
- 20 waste facility permit number 31AA-001 via resolution
- 21 2002-92.
- 22 This concludes staff presentation, and
- 23 representatives from operator and LEA are both here, if
- 24 you have any further questions.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. And

1 we do have a speaker's slip. If I don't have any

- 2 questions before, I'll call on --
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Go with the speak first,
- 4 then I might have some questions.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Jim Durfee,
- 6 Western Placer Waste Management Authority.
- 7 MR. DURFEE: Thank you, Madam Chair. For the
- 8 record Jim Durfee. I'm the Assistant Executive Director
- 9 of the Waste Management Authority. I just wanted to very
- 10 briefly ask your board's consideration of this permit
- 11 request this afternoon or this morning.
- 12 The changes of this permit would provide us with
- 13 some added processing hours, which will help us more
- 14 efficiently process the waste, also provides more
- 15 convenience to our residents, self-haul customers and so
- 16 forth.
- I would also like to thank board staff and the
- 18 LEA staff for working with us through this process and let
- 19 you know that I do have staff here available to answer
- 20 questions you may have. And with that, I'd just thank you
- 21 for your consideration.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Paparian.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 25 My question is not related to our actual vote on the

1 permit today, but I have driven by the area there. It

- 2 seems like there's a lot of growth happening in the area
- 3 within a few miles of the landfill, a lot of increased
- 4 traffic with, you know, potentially difficult access off
- 5 that main road as traffic increases.
- 6 Are you guys addressing that over time? Are you
- 7 working with the local planning authorities.
- 8 MR. DURFEE: We do work with the local planning
- 9 authorities. A couple of points, the County of Placer,
- 10 back in the early 1990's in developing the general plan
- 11 process, put a one-mile residential buffer around our
- 12 facility, so that there can be no residential development
- 13 within one mile of the facility.
- 14 The facility is in a designated industrial zone,
- 15 and there is a master plan for the development and
- 16 improvement of roadways as that industrial zone improves.
- 17 Also, the facility does pay a mitigation fee
- 18 based on a per ton process for each ton of waste that's
- 19 hauled into the facility. We put money into reserves that
- 20 are -- those monies are designated specifically for road
- 21 improvements in that area.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you. From outward
- 23 appearances, it looks like you may need, that at some
- 24 point given that.
- 25 MR. DURFEE: It is a rapidly growing area and the

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1 roads out there are -- it was primary agricultural
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- 2 country, historically, and your point is well taken.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 4 Paparian.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'm going to move the
- 8 motion. If we remember when we had the one-half hour
- 9 change at the landfill out there and we had the attorneys,
- 10 the attorneys had been fighting that for a long time, even
- 11 though it was in a special reserve that they couldn't
- 12 develop the land, so I'm surprised there's none of them
- 13 here today.
- 14 I'm going to move adoption of resolution 2002-92
- 15 revised, consideration of a revised full solid waste
- 16 facility permit for the Western Placer Waste Management
- 17 Authority Materials Recovery Facility in Placer county.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Motion by Mr.
- 20 Jones, seconded by Mr. Medina to approve resolution
- 21 2002-92 revised.
- 22 Please call the roll.
- 23 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 25 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?

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1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
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- 2 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 3 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 4 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 6 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 7 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 8 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Number 9.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 12 Item number 9 and 10 are linked, so I would like
- 13 to suggest that we take those together. Item number 9
- 14 being consideration of approval of a scope of work for the
- 15 risk assessment assistance contract, fiscal year 2001/2,
- 16 contract concept number 12.
- 17 And item 10 then being consideration of a
- 18 approval of the Office of Environmental Health Hazard
- 19 Assessment as contractor for the risk assessment
- 20 assistance contract, fiscal year 2001/2, contract concept
- 21 number 12.
- 22 And Scott walker will make the presentation.
- 23 MR. WALKER: Item 9 presents consideration again
- 24 of the scope of for the risk assessment contract with
- 25 OEHHA, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment,

- 1 for fiscal year 2001/2002 contract concept 12.
- 2 And, again, as Julie mentioned, this item ties
- 3 directly with Item 10, which is consideration of approval
- 4 of OEHHA as a contractor for the risk assessment contract,
- 5 approval of an interagency agreement. Therefore, this
- 6 presentation will cover both items.
- 7 Risk assessment is the science of quantifying the
- 8 chemical of human health or ecological impacts from
- 9 environmental pollutants. And this is an emerging
- 10 discipline with a lot of applications to solid waste sites
- 11 and facilities and can assist the Board in making
- 12 state-of-the-science based decisions with regard to public
- 13 health and safety and the environment.
- 14 Contract concept 12 would provide, as it was
- 15 written, for one or more contracts for risk assessment
- 16 services to the Board from OEHHA and/or DTSC. OEHHA
- 17 provides the expertise in the broadest range of risk
- 18 assessment services.
- 19 We've identified a number of areas such assisting
- 20 us in the compost regulations. There's been some specific
- 21 questions of the metal standards, assisting in the
- 22 development of studies related to landfill impacts on
- 23 health, and review of those studies, various things like
- 24 that.
- 25 And then also general training and technical

1 guidance to LEAs and board staff and also on specific

- 2 cases that come up that we're involved in.
- 3 Because the assistance from OEHHA is needed now
- 4 in various projects, staff is recommending approval of a
- 5 scope of work and encumbering \$100,000 of the original
- 6 \$200,000 allocation to an interagency agreement with
- 7 OEHHA.
- 8 The remaining \$100,000 would be available for
- 9 staff to further develop a proposed scope of work with
- 10 DTSC to be considered by the end of this fiscal year.
- 11 Again, DTSC services would be more appropriate for
- 12 specialized situations such as burn dumps.
- 13 If a need and a scope work for DTSC services
- 14 cannot be developed, then staff would come back and
- 15 request by the end of the fiscal year consideration and
- 16 approval to fully fund the OEHHA contract.
- 17 Based on comments received from DTSC on potential
- 18 conflicts with their authority, I wanted to just go over a
- 19 couple of relatively minor changes to the scope of work
- 20 that staff requests the Board include in resolutions
- 21 2002-93 and 2002-94. And that is to delete scope of work
- 22 items 2-2 and 2-3 and remove the word "burn sites" from
- 23 2-1.
- 24 In addition, staff understands that letters from
- 25 one or more LEAs has requested that the Board fully fund

1 the OEHHA scope of work and contract at \$200,000. The

- 2 Board may decide to further modify staff's recommendation
- 3 in that manner.
- 4 And, again, in order to accomplish that, the 6th
- 5 whereas would need to include striking the word
- 6 "initially" and then replacing \$100,000 with \$200,000.
- 7 That concludes staff's presentation.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 9 Walker.
- 10 Mr. Eaton.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Yes. Mr. Walker, who would
- 12 with OEHHA --
- 13 MR. WALKER: Environmental Health Hazard
- 14 Assessment.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right. I'm trying to avoid
- 16 Senator Roberti's --
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: This is almost the worst
- 18 right up there with --
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right. They make the
- 20 assessments, correct?
- 21 MR. WALKER: Well, essentially the way it works
- 22 is they would not prepare the actual risk assessment
- 23 report, say on a given site. They would review a risk
- 24 assessment report done by a responsible party or a
- 25 consultant. They would also be able to review where the

1 board is developing, say, a contract concept or studies

- 2 for various landfill impact studies on health. They'd be
- 3 able to review what the Board could consider to support
- 4 that with regard to the science of risk assessment.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right. So wouldn't they be
- 6 in the best position then to hire out other subcontractors
- 7 and toxicologists on an as-needed basis as opposed to
- 8 developing a direct interagency agreement by the
- 9 California Integrated Waste Management Board with the
- 10 Department of Toxics? Aren't they in a better position,
- 11 because they would determine rather than fund toxics and
- 12 then, you know, again at, you know, as the letters that
- 13 have come at the sort of high overhead rate, perhaps maybe
- 14 it's better to fund OEHHA at \$200,000 and let them
- 15 determine whether or not it's appropriate to have another
- 16 agency take a look at the toxicology, pay the overhead
- 17 rate than just us as a board always paying it, not knowing
- 18 what we're going to get for it. Wouldn't that seem like a
- 19 cleaner and smoother way to do it?
- 20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: It's my understanding
- 21 that the way this would work is through the interagency
- 22 agreement, toxicologists on staff with OEHHA would
- 23 actually be doing the work. They would not be contracting
- 24 out to another party.
- 25 With respect to the issue of DTSC, the staff is

- 1 still continuing to talk with DTSC, and we haven't
- 2 produced anything to you at this point with respect to
- 3 entering into interagency agreement with them, but we have
- 4 been having discussions with them about our respective
- 5 jurisdictions with respect to burn dumps, for instance.
- 6 So there may be some places there where DTSC would be most
- 7 appropriate to do the risk assessment, because they, too,
- 8 have toxicologists.
- 9 But at this point, we're just looking at the
- 10 OEHHA piece and we do have a need for their services and
- 11 they are direct services.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right. All I'm just saying
- 13 is why should we serve individual meals when why don't we
- 14 just offer up a buffet and they can come eat what they
- 15 want to eat when they want to eat it, because the work
- 16 group can then determine who should get the money out of
- 17 the \$200,000 pot instead of trying to doing \$100,000 here,
- 18 which because at \$100,000 we may not have that much work,
- 19 because of the overhead costs.
- 20 All I'm trying to get at is a much more efficient
- 21 way to get us out of choosing, because these, as you well
- 22 know, Ms. Nauman, have a way if you fund them one time,
- 23 they come again. And it's 125, it's 150 to fund the whole
- 24 organization the whole project at one time, and then the
- 25 work group consisting of all those respective agencies

1 then can make a determination what's needed at what time,

- 2 and pay whatever costs are associated there with the pot
- 3 that they have. So they have a firm budget, which is
- 4 better for planning purposes instead of keep coming back.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: So, Mr. Eaton,
- 6 you're trying to get where OEHHA would get the whole
- 7 \$200,000?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Well, I would just say we
- 9 enter \$200,000 and then part of the workgroup would
- 10 determine what toxicologists are needed, and that could be
- 11 from DTSC, it could be from federal EPA, from whomever,
- 12 but I takes us out of the mix of having to go through two
- 13 or three different interagency agreements, and then
- 14 fighting over who should get what, because it would be on
- 15 a case by case basis depending upon the project, correct?
- 16 MR. WALKER: Essentially, that's correct. I
- 17 think the ability for us to subout in the OEHHA contract
- 18 for say services from DTSC would -- you know, we're not
- 19 quite sure whether OEHHA could do that or not. Although,
- 20 right now, we would assume that since DTSC has that
- 21 expertise in-house, that, you know, with regard to this
- 22 point, we've been able to do things like with the Quinn
- 23 Street site, whereby the RP is actually --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm not cutting them out of
- 25 the action. I'm just saying that those scientists should

1 be scientists talking to scientists and determining who

- 2 should and who shouldn't get, you know, the funding under
- 3 what projects. And my understanding is is that this burn
- 4 dump workgroup works as a, sort of, a group that says
- 5 here's the project, here's what we have to do.
- 6 And within that group, all I'm saying is that we
- 7 ought not to be having this interagency agreement and this
- 8 interagency agreement, because those will eventually build
- 9 up over time and need more and more.
- 10 Whereas, if we have one pot of money we can keep
- 11 track of that one pot of money, and then as it's needed,
- 12 depending upon the projects. It's not meant to punish one
- 13 of our brother or sister agencies, it's really a much more
- 14 efficient way to manage the project. That's all I'm
- 15 trying to get at.
- 16 If this is a scientific pot of money, which is
- 17 what I'm reading it to be and needed and sorely needed,
- 18 you now, then that should be part of the workgroup's
- 19 determination as to who should get the money and how and
- 20 under what circumstances and get us out of the business of
- 21 getting into these sort of inter-departmental battles and
- 22 participating more on a project-by-project kind of
- 23 approach.
- 24 MR. WALKER: I'd just like to add that OEHHA is
- 25 much broader in terms of the services. Like, for

1 instance, DTSC is really not appropriate for, say, if we

- 2 had review of compost standards. It would be more of an
- 3 OEHHA role, but in certain cases like burn dumps, where
- 4 there's some, you know, overlapping authority, well, then
- 5 it is possible that DTSC would be the more appropriate
- 6 entity to perform that.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks, Madam Chair.
- 9 Following up on what Mr. Eaton is saying, I mean, we would
- 10 have -- these guys -- OEHHA is scientists. They're there
- 11 to judge risk assessment.
- 12 If an issue came forward, whether it's a burn
- 13 dump or whatever it is, they would understand what the
- 14 appropriate level of risk is, so what's the appropriate
- 15 level of remediation, as opposed to a two-year study for
- 16 each site, which is sort of common in certain places.
- 17 So what would we have to do to this resolution --
- 18 you had may a comment to it earlier, but if we said we'll
- 19 give the \$200,000 to OEHHA and rely on them to do risk
- 20 assessment, and then, I guess, they would report to you
- 21 guys and tell you what they're working on or you're going
- 22 to tell them what to work on, is this the appropriate
- 23 level of cleanup based on the risk?
- I'm assuming that's a lot of what is going to be
- 25 happening through this contract?

- 1 MR. WALKER: Correct.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay. Because I know your
- 3 staff does a thorough job of looking at it and saying,
- 4 okay, how do we protect this the best way? Do we dig it
- 5 out or do we not as opposed to turning every -- anyway.
- 6 So you would be able to have OEHHA assess that
- 7 whether or not they determined to sub part of this work
- 8 out to another agency, whether it's the Water Board, Air
- 9 Board, DTSC, that it be their call, but it be under their
- 10 direction with us as the ones that needed the ultimate
- 11 information, right?
- 12 MR. WALKER: Right. I think that one way maybe
- 13 to handle it is with those deletions and at the same time
- 14 to, you know, explore in that the potential for, you know,
- 15 subbing out through OEHHA for specialized situations that
- 16 maybe --
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right, but OEHHA would know.
- 18 They'd say, look, I think this needs to go here, it needs
- 19 to go there, because of these issues.
- 20 MR. WALKER: OEHHA would provide a good basis on
- 21 that. And plus staff would understand the different
- 22 agencies and whether or not there's a conflict.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Understood. Tell me what I
- 24 have to change in this motion. I mean, is there anything
- 25 I have to change or do I have to change it in the scope of

1 work to say that \$200,000 -- I'm going to propose a motion

- 2 that says \$200,000 goes to OEHHA to do risk assessment for
- 3 us, and that they're going to keep our staff informed or
- 4 you know, the progress of it.
- 5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Well, actually our staff
- 6 would be directing it, but actually the resolution says
- 7 they're currently drafted without the amendment that Scott
- 8 offered would work, because both of them now refer to the
- 9 \$200,000.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right, I understood that,
- 11 but he said something earl and I didn't catch it and I
- 12 didn't know if we had to change a word or not. If we
- 13 don't, I'm happy.
- 14 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: No, you can leave the
- 15 resolution as is.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: All right.
- 17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Madam Chair.
- Over here, Mark Leary.
- 19 (Laughter.)
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Leary,
- 21 we have three minutes to do nine and ten, and then --
- 22 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Okay. I'll just make
- 23 this real quick. I think there are some great ideas being
- 24 proposed here from the dais and my only concern and
- 25 hesitancy was we've been negotiating \$100,000 worth of

1 work with OEHHA. Now to expand it to \$200,000, I'm not

- 2 sure we have assurance that they they have the resources
- 3 to manage that level of work, given their size and given
- 4 that they've taken some cutbacks of late.
- 5 I'm just hesitant to commit them to \$200,000 of
- 6 work when they haven't been part of this conversation up
- 7 till now.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: It says \$200,000.
- 9 We haven't talked to them about it.
- 10 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: I thought we proposed
- 11 \$100,000.
- 12 MR. WALKER: Well, in this one it was \$100,000 of
- 13 full the \$200,000. And we have talked with OEHHA, and we
- 14 have gone over with them their ability to, you know -- the
- 15 quantity of work they can take on. And given this would
- 16 be, you know, like over two fiscal years, OEHHA has
- 17 indicated to us that the \$200,000 would not overwhelm
- 18 them. I mean, they could certainly use that full amount,
- 19 you know, as long as we work with them on this initial
- 20 rest of this fiscal year to cover some of it.
- 21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Okay.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 23 Leary for bringing that up, but that's great news, because
- 24 I think they do a great job. And I'd certainly rather
- 25 contract out to OEHHA than some private consultant.

1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Madam Chair, if I might,

- 2 given the lateness of the hour based on Mr. Leary's
- 3 suggestion might we take a break at this point on this
- 4 item and just come back after lunch and kind of confirm
- 5 for you our discussions with OEHHA, and their
- 6 understanding of that, so that we're all clear?
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: If that's what
- 8 you'd like to do.
- 9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: I'd like to do that.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Then, as I
- 11 said, we're going to take our -- thank you, Mr. Walker.
- 12 We're going to resume with number 9 when we get back, but
- 13 as I promised we have one speaker for public comments, not
- 14 to exceed five minutes, and that's Mr. Rick Lymp.
- 15 MR. LYMP: Good morning. My name is Rick Lymp.
- 16 Madam Chairman, thank you very much for the opportunity to
- 17 speak to you before tomorrow at 3:00 o'clock. I
- 18 appreciate that, and I'll make it short.
- 19 In February of 2001, I filed a notice of RCRA
- 20 violations and an intention to file a citizens suit.
- 21 Since then I've been attempting to encourage the
- 22 respondents, which are four agencies and approximately 26
- 23 individuals to enter into alternative dispute resolution
- 24 mediation.
- I haven't accomplished that yet. I do believe,

1 and this is my opinion, that if one respondent comes

- 2 forward, the rest of them will come forward, too.
- 3 The California Environmental Protection Agency is
- 4 offered the opportunity to intervene in a Notice of
- 5 Intent, providing it's timely and the remedy is effective.
- 6 Neither of those could be accomplished. However,
- 7 if they were, CalEPA would have two options; one, civil
- 8 enforcement, the other criminal enforcement.
- 9 What they are not allowed to do is to make any
- 10 administrative changes to policies, procedures or
- 11 regulations. That's not allowed by federal law and State
- 12 law. I have a couple of citations. An example is
- 13 construction and demolition in alternative daily cover
- 14 regulations. My intention is not to derail any of the
- 15 hard work that staff has done, including Scott Walker and
- 16 Allison Reynolds and their colleagues.
- 17 The citations are 42 U.S. Code, Section 6972 and
- 18 11(a) Fed Procedure, LED, sections 32; 1364 at sequence.
- 19 The waste streams I have a problem with, to
- 20 reiterate one more time, are contaminated soil,
- 21 contaminated sludge and autoshredder waste. The only safe
- 22 management method for these wastes is monofill.
- 23 In conclusion, a knee jerk by the respondents can
- 24 be as devastating as my filing a federal complaint. I
- 25 don't want to do that. I will be contacting several of

1 the generators, including municipal governments, some of

- 2 the landfill operators and some of the landfill owners
- 3 regarding what I'm doing, so they won't be blindsided. I
- 4 will CC the respondents, too.
- If there are any questions, I'd be happy to
- 6 attempt to answer them, otherwise, I'll go sit back down.
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 9 Lymp. Seeing none, we will have a lunch break now and
- 10 will return at 1:30.
- 11 (Thereupon a lunch recess was taken.)

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- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to call
- 3 the meeting back to order, please.
- 4 Mr. Jones do you have any ex partes?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: No.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: None to report.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: None.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll give Mr.
- 11 Eaton a chance to sit down. Mr. Eaton, when you get
- 12 settled, do you have any ex partes?
- 13 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Just a meet and greet with
- 14 Larry Sweetzer.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 16 And I have none.
- Okay. We are going to, I've been asked by staff,
- 18 to trail number 9 and 10 until tomorrow to give them a
- 19 little more time to iron out some of details with the
- 20 OEHHA; is that correct?
- 21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Yes, Madam Chair.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: So that takes us
- 23 to number 11.
- 24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 25 Item 11 is consideration of the adoption of negative

- 1 declaration, State Clearinghouse no 2001101157 and
- 2 proposed regulations for hazardous waste disposal
- 3 facilities disposing nonhazardous, nonputrescible industry
- 4 solid waste or approval to notice revisions to the
- 5 proposed regulations for an additional 15-day comment
- 6 period.
- 7 And Virginial Rosales -- no actually Georgianne
- 8 Turner is here to make the presentation.
- 9 MS. TURNER: Good afternoon. Basically, we've
- 10 been before you several times with this issue, and we want
- 11 a 15-day comment period. And we have not received any
- 12 written comments regarding the last changes to the
- 13 regulations, and so we are recommending that the Board --
- 14 I'm sorry, Susanne just corrected me, there was one
- 15 comment from Kern County, which was a positive comment
- 16 actually on the regulations, which we don't received very
- 17 often.
- 18 (Laughter.)
- 19 MS. TURNER: So I might as well note that.
- 20 Anyway, we don't have any comments against the
- 21 regulations. And so given that, we would propose that the
- 22 Board adopt these regulations along with the negative
- 23 declaration before you.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 25 Questions?

- 1 Mr. Jones.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks, Madam Chair.
- 3 Madam Chair, I had a meeting with Julie Nauman on
- 4 Friday on this over the one issue that was brought up at
- 5 our budget briefing by Waste Management on some of the
- 6 notification issues. And if you remember, at that time, I
- 7 kind of laid out does this just mean that we're going to
- 8 find this out and we're going to go ahead and notify the
- 9 LEA. And it maybe actually a little more interweaved than
- 10 that.
- 11 So one of the questions that I had asked Ms.
- 12 Nauman was, if they've got a current permit from DTSC,
- 13 that means that they have to be in compliance with all the
- 14 conditions, just like they would if they had permit from
- 15 us. And couldn't evidence that they had a current permit
- 16 be enough, instead of having to get stuff in writing about
- 17 specific one little issues, which could end up going
- 18 sideways like it did over the last couple of months with
- 19 misunderstanding and, you know, who has to write what
- 20 letter and does it have to say this and that?
- 21 And I'm wondering from the Board that if evidence
- 22 of a current permit took care of that requirement that
- 23 they had closure post-closure mechanisms in place at that
- 24 hazardous waste landfill, because that's what it is, I
- 25 mean if we go back to the arguments, it's a hazardous

- 1 waste site, that we don't have any oversight over?
- She didn't commit one way or another, so I'm not
- 3 going to put you on the spot, but we did have an awfully
- 4 good discussion that it probably did. And I also actually
- 5 had a meeting with our legal counsel, Ms. Tobias, where we
- 6 covered a couple of different issues.
- 7 So I'm going to throw that out there, because
- 8 we've had so much debate on this issue and given pretty
- 9 clear direction, and I think the direction is being
- 10 followed, but there's always that opportunity that
- 11 somebody wants a letter that maybe can't be had, and all
- 12 of a sudden everything blows up.
- 13 So I would propose that if they had a current
- 14 approved permit for this hazardous waste site, that would
- 15 be evidence in and of itself that they've got an approved
- 16 closure, post-closure mechanism.
- 17 So I throw that out there.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 19 Jones.
- Mr. Paparian.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, on that point,
- 22 generally, that would be okay. I'm wondering what happens
- 23 if there is some issue involving in permit that Toxics is
- 24 starting to raise so they still have the permit in their
- 25 hands, although there may be some investigation or some

- 1 issue involving this?
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Then we put a 24 hour -- if
- 3 they become noncompliant, they have 24 hours to -- I would
- 4 put in that they have 24 hours to contact us, and then go
- 5 by whatever the time mechanism is that DTSC would put them
- 6 under for a substitution.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I wonder if I could hear
- 8 from the legal counsel about any views on this, any things
- 9 we should consider?
- 10 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: I think the issue is that
- 11 it gets down to the financial assurances again. And what
- 12 happens with -- and, again, Julie or her staff on
- 13 financial assurances can correct me, if I'm not stating
- 14 this properly. But the financial assurances and the
- 15 permit travel to a certain extent independently of each
- 16 other.
- 17 And so while you might have a current permit,
- 18 you'd have to look at the financial assurances as well to
- 19 make sure that the financial assurances were correct. And
- 20 I know our own situation better than I know that of
- 21 toxics.
- 22 So for instance, at any time, if you were looking
- 23 at one of our permits, you'd want to look at their permit,
- 24 but if you were concerned about their ability to deal with
- 25 closure post-closure issues, you'd need to look at their

1 financial assurances to see whether they were current at

- 2 that time. And we've certainly had a couple of permits
- 3 where that's been an issue.
- 4 So I think the way that the regulations are
- 5 proposed at this time is that generally we know that
- 6 they're going to have a current permit from DTSC or they
- 7 wouldn't be operating. And I think it comes back to that
- 8 issue of do they have -- are their financial assurances
- 9 current since we're depending on that fact for DTSC to
- 10 have that current, you know, as opposed to us reviewing it
- 11 ourselves.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: So how could we easily
- 13 confirm that? How should we write it so it's easily
- 14 confirmable?
- 15 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Well, that's the way the
- 16 regs are witting at this time is to basically have us
- 17 verify with DTSC that their financial assurances are
- 18 current.
- 19 If the Board wants to accept Mr. Jones'
- 20 suggestion, we would need to go back out for another
- 21 15-days because we are changing the regulations. So we
- 22 could certainly look at that if that was -- if the Board
- 23 wanted to do that.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, I'm
- 25 not comfortable, Mr. Jones, with the way you suggested

1 going, because of what counsel just suggested, which is

- 2 that they are related but somewhat independent of each
- 3 other, the financial assurance and the permit.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's the first time I've
- 5 ever heard that in 20 years or doing this or 25 years how
- 6 somehow a permit that has a conformance finding that
- 7 closure post-closure is part of it before it's ever
- 8 issued, how somehow that's independent, because you can't
- 9 get a permit without an approved mechanism.
- 10 What we're asking in this is so vague that
- 11 because we know that the mechanism that they're using is
- 12 being debated at U.S. EPA. If, in fact, U.S. EPA or DTSC
- 13 says no we're going to make a change, then they'd have to
- 14 notify us right away and then there's going to be some
- 15 time limit when they put in something else.
- But if we ask for a letter that says, you know,
- 17 God knows how it could be crafted, do you think this is,
- 18 you know, acceptable and it is in debate, then does the
- 19 other agency feel comfortable with saying yeah this is,
- 20 you know -- somehow they're going to have to talk about
- 21 the debate, which we all understand that it's a debate.
- 22 And it gets back to who's got the overriding
- 23 responsibility, and it's DTSC. It's a hazardous waste
- 24 site. We have a responsibility to make sure that there's
- 25 a closure, post-closure mechanism in place, but our

1 regulations are never going to go in to take lead on this,

- 2 because it's a hazardous waste site.
- 3 And all I'm trying to do is get away from the
- 4 issue that came forward in San Francisco when we talked
- 5 about, when I was actually -- when the issue got brought
- 6 up and it was like well, you approved it because it was in
- 7 this clause -- in this statute number that they referred
- 8 to.
- 9 And so I'm not trying to get them off the hook.
- 10 I mean what I'm trying to do is not create another problem
- 11 or another barrier that can't be hurdled and still protect
- 12 us and protect DTSC. And it just seemed to me that that
- 13 would be a way to do it, unless somebody has got another
- 14 idea.
- 15 I'm afraid when they get into some of this stuff
- 16 that they're going to make it so hard for anybody to write
- 17 a letter, that then what are we going to do? I mean,
- 18 there's no win for anybody if we force something like
- 19 that. I mean, that's all my concern is.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: What I'm trying to get at
- 21 is to assure that we are comfortable that there is an
- 22 adequate mechanism in place for closure, post-closure.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And I concur with you there.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: So if we can come up with
- 25 a way to do that, that's, you know's, easy to accomplish

1 and easy to verify, it sounds like the permit may not be

- 2 the way to do that.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: While everyone is
- 4 thinking, I have a question of staff. Staff is
- 5 comfortable with the way it's proposed?
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Yes.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm putting you
- 8 on the spot I guess.
- 9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Yeah, we're comfortable.
- 10 We've brought this forward and we're comfortable that we
- 11 will ask the question and DTSC will answer the question.
- 12 I don't have any objection to what Mr. Jones is
- 13 suggesting, but legal counsel is suggesting that we look
- 14 at it slightly differently.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. I don't
- 16 see any other comments.
- Do we have a motion?
- 18 Senator Roberti, while we're thinking, do you
- 19 have any ex partes?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: No ex partes.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Excuse me, from the
- 23 Institute of Local Self Reliance regarding agenda Item
- 24 Number 41, conversion technologies.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,

- 1 Senator Roberti.
- 2 Mr. Paparian.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, I mean this -- what
- 4 we're doing here is putting it -- either adopting it as is
- 5 or putting it out for more comment, is that right?
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Only if you change it.
- 7 Counsel's suggestion was that if you go with the
- 8 suggestion that Mr. Jones is making or make any other
- 9 changes to the reg package today, you'll need to send it
- 10 out for another 15-day comment period, so the public can
- 11 see those changes that you're making.
- 12 If you're comfortable with the draft that you
- 13 have before, you can you adopt it today.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I mean I would be
- 15 comfortable with it as is, but I'd be fine putting the
- 16 same thing out for another 15-days to see what kind of
- 17 comments we get based on counsel's suggestions here today.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: But that's if we
- 19 adopted Mr. Jones's way, is that --
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: No, I think you can put
- 21 it out for 15-days as is if you wanted to?
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Again?
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: There are some new issues
- 24 on the table here based on the conservation we've just
- 25 had. And based on those new issues we might or might not

- 1 get additional comments.
- 2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: We didn't get any
- 3 comments on this particular issue this time.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I asked both these folks if
- 7 they thought that getting this letter was going to be
- 8 easy. Because as I understood it at the briefing, I said
- 9 somebody from our staff is going to call DTSC and say do
- 10 you have an acceptable mechanism in place. And if the
- 11 answer was yes, we'd send a memo.
- 12 That's very much similar to what I think Garth
- 13 Adams does today when he has to make that kind of
- 14 compliance conformance finding for anybody that's bringing
- 15 a permit forward, correct?
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Yes, that's correct.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: If we were able to follow
- 18 that procedure where they called DTSC and said do they
- 19 have an acceptable mechanism in place? Yes, they do.
- 20 Okay, you, tell the LEA, that's reasonable.
- 21 If they write a letter that says do you approve
- 22 of this mechanism for now and forever or whatever they're
- 23 going to put in the letter, because none of us are going
- 24 to know what they're going to put in the letter, they may
- 25 not be able to answer that letter, and then what do we do?

- 1 Do we say no, you can get a permit.
- 2 And that's what I'm just trying to avoid, because
- 3 DTSC does have the overriding responsibility. This is in
- 4 their sphere. And if you look on that same property that
- 5 we're talking about on a Class 2 site that's under our
- 6 jurisdiction, our mechanism, which we don't allow captive
- 7 insurance, is in place. They don't have captives for the
- 8 Class 2 side of it, but on the Class 1, they do at this
- 9 point, and they're waiting to hear what the overall debate
- 10 from U.S. EPA is.
- 11 And I just want to make sure that we're not
- 12 asking for something that they're never going to be able
- 13 to get as innocent as it may look.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: What the language is, let
- 15 me make sure I'm understanding. What the language in here
- 16 is asking for a written verification from our staff --
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: To the LEA.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: To the LEA that Sections
- 19 18225 (g) and (h) are correct, and those are the financial
- 20 assurances? But that's the financial assurance for
- 21 toxics, right?
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: So we'd be verifying that
- 24 they are adhering to the financial assurance mechanisms
- 25 that toxics is requiring.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right.
- 2 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: And that would be the same
- 3 way we verify it now. That at that time and place the
- 4 financial assurances are there. You know, you can't, I
- 5 think as Mr. Jones is somewhat saying, you can't say now
- 6 and forever. We don't know that financial assurances are
- 7 there now and forever. But when we ask, when we look at
- 8 it, we basically say at this time the financial assurances
- 9 are in place.
- 10 If we ask DTSC and they say yes the financial
- 11 assurances are in place, we would say that. If they fall
- 12 out of it at some other time, and we're not looking at
- 13 they're permit at that time, that would be DTSC's
- 14 enforcement to deal with, if they find that financial
- 15 assurances are not in place. We wouldn't necessarily be
- 16 coming back around other than at the time that that permit
- 17 was being considered by the LEA.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Is one of the problems
- 19 that I'm hearing is the written portion of this concern
- 20 about --
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I don't have -- yes, I mean,
- 22 I have no problem with our staff calling DTSC and asking
- 23 them, and then our staff writing a letter to the LEA
- 24 saying DTSC says that they've got all their stuff in
- 25 order. That's not an issue for me. That's the way it

- 1 should be.
- 2 And if they fallout, they should notify us in 24
- 3 hours that they're going to put whatever DTSC requires on
- 4 them in X amount of time. I have no problem with that.
- 5 My problem is the word acceptable and how we view
- 6 that. Now, if we give direction that it is a phone call
- 7 to DTSC and a letter from our staff to the LEA that's
- 8 writing this permit, then I'm comfortable with that.
- 9 It's the vagueness of saying no, we want letters
- 10 from whoever at DTSC confirming this, this and this, where
- 11 they may not be able to -- based on whatever the letter
- 12 requires, they may not be able to answer.
- 13 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Well, on page 8 of the
- 14 proposed regs that I'm looking at in H, it says that, "The
- 15 operator shall demonstrate evidence of acceptable closure,
- 16 post-closure maintenance costs" --
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Wait, wait, wait. Where are
- 18 you?
- 19 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Oh, sorry. On page 8,
- 20 little H in parens.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay.
- 22 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: The paragraph that starts
- 23 with, "Notwithstanding." And then it says, "The operator
- 24 shall demonstrate evidence of acceptable closure and
- 25 post-closure maintenance costs and operating liability

- 1 financial assurance mechanisms by providing written
- 2 verification of compliance with DTSC." So that's the
- 3 operator doing that.
- 4 And then on page 5, at the top of the page and
- 5 little (b) in parens the last section in blue. Do you
- 6 have a color -- well, just the underlined section there.
- 7 The last --
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Where it says "EA shall
- 9 obtain written verification from the Board"
- 10 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Right. So it doesn't
- 11 saying anything about the Board getting a written
- 12 verification from DTSC.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And if that's the case,
- 14 Kathryn, I have no problem with this. It's that -- I
- 15 mean, if that's what we're going to do, then that's cool.
- 16 You know, there's self verification by the operator and
- 17 then we contact DTSC and give a written letter to the LEA
- 18 saying we've checked with DTSC and they've got a mechanism
- 19 in place, then I'm fine with that. It was that
- 20 variability that made me nervous.
- 21 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: We've met with the DTSC
- 22 staff who's assured us that they can do this in a timely
- 23 manner, given that it's three facilities.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: As I'm reading this

language, as I'm hearing -- Mr. Jones, as I'm hearing you

- 2 explain how you'd like it to work, I'm reading the
- 3 language as being the same as the way you'd like it to
- 4 work.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I understand it, Mr.
- 6 Paparian. But the day that I asked if that's the way
- 7 we're going the do it, then I'm comfortable, I was told
- 8 no. And it's anytime I'm told no, because I'm not as
- 9 literal as a lot of people here, I get nervous about that.
- 10 And so I've got to try to explore where the walls
- 11 can be. The way this was written and just explained to
- 12 us, I'll make the motion.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'll move adoption of
- 18 resolution 2002-95 consideration of the adoption of a
- 19 negative dec Clearinghouse number 2001101157 and propose
- 20 regulations for hazardous waste disposal facilities
- 21 disposing nonhazardous nonputrescible industrial solid
- 22 waste.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay we have a
- 25 motion by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr. Medina to approve

- 1 resolution 2002-95.
- 2 Please call the roll.
- 3 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 5 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'd like to move adoption of
- 18 resolution 2002-96, consideration of the adoption of a neg
- 19 dec and the proposed regs for the hazardous waste Disposal
- 20 facility disposing nonhazardous nonputrescible industrial
- 21 solid waste.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton, is
- 24 this one of those that I can say substitute the previous
- 25 roll call?

1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I believe so, Madam Chair.

- 2 (Laughter.)
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I've been dying
- 4 to say that.
- 5 (Laughter.)
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, substitute
- 7 the previous roll call.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Literally and figuratively.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay number 12
- 10 was pulled.
- Number 13.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Item 13 is discussion of
- 13 Local Enforcement Agency evaluations through December 31st
- 14 of 2001.
- Just by way of background, we've been before the
- 16 Board several times over the course of the last 12 to 18
- 17 months talking about the LEA process. As early as January
- 18 this year, you looked at the regulations on designation
- 19 and dedesignation. And we've talked about performance
- 20 issues in the past.
- 21 This is a formal process following LEA
- 22 certification where the statute requires the Board to
- 23 review LEA performance on a regular basis.
- 24 Our first LEA evaluation cycle was concluded in
- 25 1996. And in the tradition that we're now continuing

1 staff came before the Board at that time summarizing the

- 2 results of that first cycle evaluation.
- 3 At that time, 24 of the 56 LEA's were found to be
- 4 fulfilling their duties and responsibilities, 26 did
- 5 require evaluation workplans to address evaluation
- 6 findings, five administrative conferences were held at
- 7 that time.
- 8 And I've asked Gabe Aboushanab who will be making
- 9 the presentation, to provide the Board with a little more
- 10 information about that first cycle and some of the things
- 11 that we feel, as a staff, we learned from this first round
- 12 of evaluations, which then put us into kind of our own
- 13 evaluation process, and led to the establishment of this
- 14 second round of evaluations that you're going to hear
- 15 about today.
- 16 So this is kind of an ongoing process where we
- 17 stop after each evaluation cycle and take a look back at
- 18 how it worked and whether all our needs were met and the
- 19 interests of the LEAs were served as well.
- 20 And we're planning to do that again. At the
- 21 conclusion; of this second cycle, we'll be convening an
- 22 evaluation team, if you will, which will include LEAs and
- 23 board staff and board member office staffs to help us
- 24 craft the approach that we'll take for our next cycle.
- 25 So with that, I'll turn it over to Gabe to five

1 you an overview of that first cycle and then to walk you

- 2 through the findings of our second cycle.
- MR. ABOUSHANAB: Thank you, Ms. Nauman.
- 4 Good afternoon, Madam Chair and Board Members.
- 5 Gabe Aboushanab of the LEA program assistance and
- 6 evaluation section.
- 7 As Julie mentioned, I'm going to quickly go
- 8 through some of the feedback we received at the conclusion
- 9 of first cycle.
- 10 (Thereupon an overhead presenation was
- 11 presented as follows.)
- 12 MR. ABOUSHANAB: We received comments that the
- 13 evaluation did not adequately stress the positive aspects
- 14 and strengths and accomplishments of the LEA's
- 15 performance. They focused on what was not done rather
- 16 than what was done. We also received comments that the
- 17 evaluation should emphasize information needed to identify
- 18 LEA issues to provide training and assistance.
- 19 --000--
- 20 MR. ABOUSHANAB: Some actually felt the process
- 21 took too much of their time, was cumbersome, bureaucratic
- 22 and appeared that the evaluation was not clearly
- 23 identified.
- --000--
- 25 MR. ABOUSHANAB: Some were surprised by some

1 findings and voiced concerns that issues mentioned in the

- 2 evaluation would never have become issues if they were
- 3 brought to their attention. They would have been solved
- 4 before evaluation.
- 5 --000--
- 6 MR. ABOUSHANAB: There were also comments
- 7 regarding evaluations being used politically by the Board
- $\boldsymbol{8}$ $\,$ and viewed as threatening, and there was concern over
- 9 statewide consistency of these evaluations. We had to
- 10 work from comments received that the evaluation emphasized
- 11 minor issues and ignored the big picture, what is good in
- 12 a jurisdiction.
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- 14 MR. ABOUSHANAB: And there were also comments
- 15 about inadequate communication between P&E branches with
- 16 respect to issues that span more than one branch and go
- 17 across branches of responsibility, also, inadequate
- 18 communication between the branches and the LEA.
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- 20 MR. ABOUSHANAB: So the mentioned feedback and
- 21 some others were utilized by workgroup, following the
- 22 first cycle, and the procedure was revised.
- 23 That effort should be duplicated at the
- 24 conclusion of this second cycle for anything we learn from
- 25 going through this time.

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- 2 MR. ABOUSHANAB: As far as the process itself,
- 3 the procedure is again approved and provided for you as
- 4 Attachment 2 and 3 of this agenda item. You do not need
- 5 to go there, I will hitting the high points, unless you
- 6 wish to.
- 7 The evaluation process is really designed to make
- 8 sure that the LEAs provide consistent enforcement of
- 9 statute and regulations and that the LEAs, when
- 10 appropriate, implement their board approved enforcement
- 11 program plan. And also that the LEAs remain in compliance
- 12 with their certification requirements.
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- 14 MR. ABOUSHANAB: I'd like to mention that the
- 15 evaluation findings are based strictly on statute, PRC
- 16 43214. "We actually find an LEA not fulfilling its duties
- 17 and responsibilities if..." And again according to
- 18 statute, "...the LEA has failed to exercise due diligence
- 19 in the inspections of facilities and disposal sites, if
- 20 the LEA has intentionally misrepresented the results of
- 21 inspections, if the LEA has filed to prepare or cause to
- 22 be prepared permits, their revisions or closure and
- 23 post-closure maintenance plans."
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- MR. ABOUSHANAB: Also, "If the LEA has approved

1 permits, revisions or closure plans which are not

- 2 consistent with statute. "
- 3 Another one is, "That the LEA has failed to take
- 4 appropriate enforcement actions."
- 5 And finally, "If the LEA has filed to comply or
- 6 has taken actions that are inconsistent with or
- 7 unauthorized by statute and regulation."
- 8 This finding number 6 is particularly useful with
- 9 respect to quality aspects of an LEA's performance. This
- 10 is true for duties too, which are detailed enough in
- 11 regulations as far as what is complete, acceptable and
- 12 adequate.
- 13 For example, the LEA requirements for a proposed
- 14 permit package under Title 27, Section 21650 is pretty
- 15 detailed as far as what's needed to deem a permit
- 16 application complete and acceptable.
- 17 We actually found an LEA did not make that
- 18 finding correctly, and that was under Finding 6 here.
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- 20 MR. ABOUSHANAB: Now, the LEA evaluation results,
- 21 of course, can go two ways. The LEA can be found to be
- 22 fulfilling responsibilities. And if that's the case,
- 23 that's good and fine, because we commend them for a job
- 24 well done. And if we find some minor recommendation for
- 25 enhancement in their program, we do so.

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- 2 MR. ABOUSHANAB: Of course, the evaluation
- 3 findings could find the LEA not to be fulfilling
- 4 responsibilities. And in this case we follow a stepped
- 5 approach to deal with this that's outlined in the LEA
- 6 evaluation procedure, and I want to quickly go through the
- 7 stepped approach.
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- 9 MR. ABOUSHANAB: It can be boiled down to three
- 10 steps. I hope you can see this. The first step is an
- 11 evaluation workplan. This is where we require the LEA to
- 12 submit for approval a plan of action to address the
- 13 performance findings in an evaluation on a site-by-site
- 14 basis.
- 15 Now, if this doesn't work, we go to step 2, which
- 16 is an administrative conference. Now, this is pretty
- 17 serious. The attendees include the LEA's program manager,
- 18 director, P&E Division Deputy Director, appropriate branch
- 19 managers whose issues are involved, and in the past the
- 20 Executive Director had his or her designee there and a
- 21 board representative was there also.
- The idea is to overcome compliance issues at this
- 23 point without having to drag the Board into it. And, of
- 24 course, if that fails, we have you involved and board
- 25 action.

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- 2 MR. ABOUSHANAB: Now, I'd like to quickly go
- 3 through the follow-up we do. When we have a workplan, we
- 4 monitor the LEA's compliance with a workplan. We do so on
- 5 a three-month basis, quarterly, for at least three
- 6 consecutive periods or until the work is complete.
- 7 And basically one outcome is the LEA meets the
- 8 workplan requirements and that's perfect, because that
- 9 finalizes the monitoring process and essentially concludes
- 10 the evaluation process.
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- MR. ABOUSHANAB: We rely on division staff
- 13 assigned to the jurisdiction to continue to work closely
- 14 with the LEA. And this is to make sure that the program
- 15 needs are met on an ongoing basis.
- 16 Now, another outcome would be where the LEA
- 17 doesn't meet the workplan requirements. I mentioned
- 18 earlier the administrative conference, we do go to that.
- 19 And if compliance is achieved as a result of the
- 20 administrative conference, well that's all good and well
- 21 too, because this concludes the process. And, again, we
- 22 rely on division staff assigned to the jurisdiction to
- 23 work closely with the LEA to make sure things keep going
- 24 well.
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1 MR. ABOUSHANAB: And they have at their disposal,

- 2 what we call, the internal triggers which address ongoing
- 3 issues. They send up flags for performance. And I
- 4 believe Sharon will be touching upon that in her part of
- 5 the presentation.
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- 7 MR. ABOUSHANAB: Now, we have an administrative
- 8 conference, and compliance is not achieved, that's another
- 9 scenario. What happens at this point is we prepare an
- 10 agenda item for your consideration. We present to you all
- 11 the available options for the Board, and I want to quickly
- 12 make you aware of what those are.
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- 14 MR. ABOUSHANAB: The Board may take a set of
- 15 option, one or more in any order they wish, based on
- 16 statute. You could establish a schedule on a probationary
- 17 period for improved LEA performance, and I believe Board
- 18 Members Jones may recall going through this with Inyo
- 19 County in the last cycle at least two or three times.
- 20 And the Board can assume partial responsibility
- 21 for specified LEA duties. This could be on a site-by-site
- 22 basis, on a -- part of the program could be inspections
- 23 permitting on enforcement.
- 24 The Board can conduct more frequent inspections
- 25 and evaluations. You could ask for a jurisdiction to be

1 evaluated outside the three-year cycle, right on number 3

- 2 there.
- 3 And you may implement any other measures which
- 4 you determine to be necessary to improve LEA performance
- 5 and compliance.
- 6 And five is similar, it says you may take any
- 7 objection you determine necessary to ensure LEAs fulfill
- 8 their obligations.
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- 10 MR. ABOUSHANAB: Now, we have an urgency step
- 11 that's also required by statute. If we find that
- 12 conditions at a solid waste facility threatens public
- 13 health and safety or the environment, the Board must,
- 14 within ten days of notifying the LEA, take over, become
- 15 the enforcement agency.
- And this remains so until a new agency is
- 17 qualified, is designated approved and certified by the
- 18 Board and the Board would, at that point, be able to build
- 19 for their expenses of doing this.
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- 21 MR. ABOUSHANAB: Now, I would like to assure you
- 22 that we don't really paint happy faces here on LEA
- 23 evaluations in this process. LEAs that are found to be
- 24 fulfilling their responsibilities have indeed done so.
- 25 This is collaborated by all branch stuff assigned to that

- 1 jurisdiction during the process.
- 2 And I hope when you see the data that Dmitri
- 3 Smith will be presenting, as far as evaluation findings
- 4 and then followed by Brenda, who will be going through the
- 5 workplan status, you will agree with that.
- 6 This concludes my presentation. And Sharon will
- 7 also be, by the way going, through the local assistance
- 8 who deal with the LEA's afterwards.
- 9 I will be happy to answer any questions at this
- 10 time.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I don't see any,
- 12 so you can just continue on with the presentation, if you
- 13 will.
- 14 MR. SMITH: Hello, Madam Chair and board members.
- 15 My name is Dmitri Smith of the LEA Program and Assistance
- 16 Evaluation section.
- 17 I'm here today to present the evaluation findings
- 18 section of this item. As a December 31st, staff has
- 19 completed three-quarters or 41 out of 56 LEA evaluations.
- 20 At this time, I'll ask you to refer To attachment number 5
- 21 entitled second cycle LEA evaluation summary.
- 22 And can you please refer to the comments section,
- 23 which is to your far right of the spreadsheet. This
- 24 spreadsheet will provide a detailed explanation of the
- 25 evaluation outcomes. Please note that the term fulfilling

1 duties refers to an LEA that does not have any program

- 2 implementation issues.
- 3 The term fulfilling most of these refers to an
- 4 LEA that has some program implementation issues.
- 5 Mean while, the term evaluation workplan refers
- 6 to an LEA that has has not fulfilled all his duties and
- 7 responsibilities.
- 8 I'm using another term called issues that are on
- 9 a spreadsheet. An issue refers to -- describes a problem
- 10 or a concern, but it does not necessarily mean a trend, so
- 11 we do not consider it to be a finding.
- 12 The way to explain that is an LEA who fails to
- 13 perform an inspection, a couple of inspections within a
- 14 year, who performs all their inspections for the remaining
- 15 years.
- 16 As you can see, this is not a trend. However, it
- 17 is a concern on our part, so we labeled it as being an
- 18 issue.
- 19 As noted earlier, 41 of 56 LEAs were evaluated
- 20 within the State of California. Thirty of the 41 LEA's
- 21 fulfilled their duties and responsibilities. Eleven of
- 22 the 30 LEAs had minor implementation issues that were
- 23 addressed during the evaluation process. Eleven of the 41
- 24 LEAs were not fulfilling their duties and
- 25 responsibilities. Six of these 11 LEAs required

- 1 workplans. Five of these 11 LEAs do not require a
- 2 workplan since the evaluation findings were resolved or
- 3 substantially under way.
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- 5 MR. ABOUSHANAB: A majority of the program
- 6 findings fall into one of these following categories.
- We had four instances in which the LEA failed do
- 8 due diligence in the inspection of solid waste facilities
- 9 and disposal sites. This is compared to 16 in the first
- 10 cycle.
- 11 We had eight LEa that failed to take
- 12 appropriate -- failed to prepare or cause to be prepared
- 13 permits, permit revisions for closure and post-closure you
- 14 maintenance plans. This is contrast at 25 in the first
- 15 cycle.
- 16 We have two instances in when LEAs failed to take
- 17 appropriate enforcement action. This is compared to 21 in
- 18 the first cycle. We have one LEA which failed to maintain
- 19 certification requirements, and we had 2 LEAs which failed
- 20 to comply with actions taken inconsistent with
- 21 unauthorized by statute or regulations.
- 22 Please note that in the first cycle we did not
- 23 have any findings for certification maintenance
- 24 requirements or for the failure to comply with or take
- 25 actions inconsistent with stats or regs.

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- 2 MR. SMITH: As of December 31st, 2001, the
- 3 following LEAs were currently being evaluated. And if you
- 4 refer to your monitor, those are the ones identified as
- 5 being in progress.
- 6 We currently have five LEAs that remain to be
- 7 scheduled and evaluated, and those five LEAs are under the
- 8 to-be-announced column.
- 9 At this time, I ask the Board if they have any
- 10 questions or need any clarification on anything I have
- 11 just reviewed?
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 13 Smith.
- Mr. Paparian.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 16 In several instances we are the LEA, that is the
- 17 Board is the LEA, are we among those 56 or are we apart
- 18 from the 56 when you count them up?
- 19 MR. SMITH: We did not include those in the 56.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: How are we evaluating
- 21 ourselves. Do we evaluate ourselves in the same time
- 22 lines, the same process?
- 23 MR. SMITH: I'll let Gabe answer that question.
- 24 MR. ABOUSHANAB: I believe we can, but how it
- 25 would be viewed when you're evaluating yourself would be

1 about question, but yes we can as soon as we get through

- 2 the to-be-announced list, is go through where we are on
- 3 the EA and go through the same process as a benchmark that
- 4 would help us judge how we fair, while not compared to the
- 5 LEAs themselves. I think we can do it.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I don't want to bog this
- 7 down here, but I think that where we're the LEA, we should
- 8 be somehow subjected to the same type of review, and, you
- 9 know, potential for probation that the rest of the LEAs
- 10 are.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Decertification.
- 12 MS. ANDERSON: Just as a clarification in the --
- 13 Sharon Anderson LEA Support Services Branch Manager. We
- 14 did evaluate ourselves during the first cycle and I
- 15 actually was the manager of the program for the EA section
- 16 when I was getting evaluated prior to this current job
- 17 that I have. And we actually had a lot of things
- 18 uncovered that we needed shoring up and we did that, at
- 19 that time. So we have set a precedent, we've done that to
- 20 ourselves.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms.
- 22 Anderson.
- 23 Mr. Paparian, were you finished?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: For now, thank you.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any other

- 1 questions, comments?
- 2 Mr. Jones.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just one. Dmitri, on the
- 4 LEA that failed to maintain the certification, is that --
- 5 I mean, did that LEA fail with ongoing education or did
- 6 they not have permitted -- or REHSs in the county or --
- 7 MR. SMITH: Actually, with that one it wasn't
- 8 that complex. It was more so that the LEA failed to
- 9 submit components of the EPP during our evaluation.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So is the workplan for them
- 11 to meet their EPP?
- 12 MR. SMITH: They actually got the information and
- 13 that particular LEA did go to the workplan which Brenda
- 14 will present later on, but, yes, they are in compliance
- 15 right now with all their failures.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thank you.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Medina.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yes, Madam Chair. I just
- 20 wanted to make a change in Attachment 2, page 13-12 under
- 21 Administrative Conference, under the heading Purpose. It
- 22 says "To hopefully resolve any conflicts arising from an
- 23 LEA evaluation or subsequent evaluation workplan
- 24 monitoring."
- 25 I'd like to strike the word "hopefully". I'd

1 like to make that a more positive statement in support of

- 2 the purpose.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 4 Where was that, I lost it.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: 13-12 Attachment 2 under
- 6 Administrative Conference. It currently states, "to
- 7 hopefully resolve..." I'd like to strike out that
- 8 "hopefully" and make it more positive just to state to
- 9 resolve.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 11 Okay. Mr. Smith or anyone of you, I just, while
- 12 I'm thinking of it, how do you address problems with
- 13 poorly written permits or other documents? Is that
- 14 address to informal staff comments or will the staff
- 15 trigger an LEA evaluation?
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Maybe we should help you
- 17 with that one, because I had that discussion with the
- 18 staff Friday as we were looking through the PowerPoint
- 19 presentation. And I said, you know, it seems to me that
- 20 the statutory scheme that's set out here has some
- 21 constraints.
- 22 And that, as Dmitri walked through, that kind of
- 23 the six bases upon which we evaluate, they're kind of
- 24 absolute. They're kind of did you do it or did you not do
- 25 it. And except with the very last one where he commented

1 we can sort of get to quality. It's very difficult for us

- 2 under the current scheme you didn't do it quite right.
- 3 And when we're having the discussions about the calendar,
- 4 and we've had discussions about determinations of
- 5 completeness and correctness, we've again, you know, come
- 6 right up and in front of faced that issue.
- 7 But the evaluation process itself, you know, I
- 8 would argue has some, you know, real constraints on our
- 9 ability to be able to -- for me to call an LEA say for the
- 10 last three rounds; I've seen some serious problems with
- 11 your application packages.
- 12 We can bring those application packages to the
- 13 Board and you can say start over again, but it's really
- 14 done on a more informal basis, and actually as Sharon will
- 15 point out, when she does her piece of it, really through
- 16 technical assistance did we try to offer that support and
- 17 say there may be some reasons why we're experiencing the
- 18 problem we're experiencing with your work but we need to
- 19 try and work through that thought. But it doesn't really
- 20 directly come through the evaluation process.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Paparian.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes. Thank you, Madam
- 24 Chair. Following up on that. I mean, yes, it seems like
- 25 what we have in place right now is getting to the LEAs who

1 get the equivalent of an F in a certain subject area. And

- 2 what I think the Chair is asking is what about the C
- 3 minuses and D pluses that are out there.
- 4 And what you're suggesting is that there is a
- 5 legal constraint that we don't have the statutory
- 6 authority to kind of go in the in-between area?
- 7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Well, I think if you
- 8 look at the statutory language and the six bases upon
- 9 which we perform the evaluation, the formal evaluation
- 10 process. And maybe if it's too hard for you guys to go
- 11 back to that slide, you can see that the language talks
- 12 about, you know, did you prepare the permit, did you
- 13 prepare the closure, post-closure plan. Let's see if I
- 14 can get back to it. I know it's in your packet but so
- 15 that everybody can see it, let's try and resurrect it.
- 16 They're kind of threshold questions, except for
- 17 six. As you can see, "Fail to exercise due diligence in
- 18 inspections, intentionally misrepresenting inspection
- 19 reports."
- There really isn't any one of these with the
- 21 exception of number 6 that we talked about where we can
- 22 kind of get at some more qualitative performance issues.
- 23 MS. ANDERSON: Just to piggy-back on that, it
- 24 still has to be based on statute and regulation. And
- 25 there is a whole cadre of regulations that guides an LEA

1 on what their roles and responsibilities are, and that's

- 2 where we hang our hats. So, you know, you're right, there
- 3 are restrictions.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I wonder if the counsel
- 5 wants to comment on this. You know, I imagine a situation
- 6 where someone, I guess the example was if they're
- 7 submitting chronically crummy applications, do we have --
- 8 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: I like that, "chronically
- 9 crummy applications." Can we go back to number 3 on this
- 10 page, the previous page on this.
- 11 You know, it seems to me and Elliot and I were
- 12 just talking about this, that we might be able to expand
- 13 some of these to deal with this in regulations, that, you
- 14 know, would basically say, and I'm really just kind of
- 15 casting this out at this point, that, you know, I think
- 16 three where, "LEAs failed to prepare, caused to be
- 17 prepared permits..." probably might have been more to deal
- 18 with the idea of, you know, that they're not getting
- 19 permitted facilities in.
- 20 But I'm not so sure that we couldn't in
- 21 regulations say that we would like to deal with properly
- 22 prepared permits and that type of thing, so we could
- 23 certainly look at some regulations.
- 24 I think it would need to be done in regulations
- 25 and you'd want to do it through that process to try to get

1 to that. But I'm not so sure that we couldn't look at

- 2 some of these statutory requirements and see if it's not
- 3 susceptible to that.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes. I'd certainly like
- 5 to pursue that, because where I'm not comfortable is where
- 6 you know -- either someone comes out shining or they fail
- 7 and we don't really address enough the in-between area.
- 8 And I think we could do something where we can address the
- 9 in-between ares and hopefully bring those folks up a
- 10 little higher to be a very positive thing.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: And we would hope at the
- 12 conclusion Of this cycle when we convene the workgroup
- 13 that these are the kinds of issues that we could grapple
- 14 with that, for whatever reason, were not felt appropriate
- 15 to grapple with after the first cycle.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Jones.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks Madam Chair, I think
- 19 number three does get you where you need to go. And I
- 20 think once you look -- once you guys research it, there
- 21 should be a way to make that happen.
- 22 But I think on the one thing we can can't ignore
- 23 is that there's a responsibility on the State Waste Board
- 24 staff. We've gotten things characterized to us as being
- 25 poorly done, bad, they didn't agree with it. That doesn't

- 1 necessarily mean that the LEA did the wrong thing.
- 2 There may have been a complete difference of
- 3 opinion. And I've seen it. And I sure have seen in, I
- 4 think most of these board members have seen it, where an
- 5 LEA feels adamantly about something, and the board staff
- 6 has felt differently, and characterized as something other
- 7 than done.
- 8 And I think we have to be careful, when we're
- 9 doing this, that I agree, I mean, when we're the LEA in
- 10 three places or two places, we need to evaluate ourselves.
- 11 I'm not saying board staff is wrong. What I'm saying is
- 12 we have to be careful, if we're going to hold the LEAs to
- 13 a standard of completeness that they meet our standards,
- 14 we've got to make sure our standards are right and not
- 15 arbitrary.
- 16 I remember submitting a permit that I purposely
- 17 draw the site map freehand, so that there would be no
- 18 question that it was not to some spec. And I got a call
- 19 the day before I came here to get that permit done and was
- 20 told that it didn't really match any ratio. And I said
- 21 it's a freehand drawing, it's conceptual. Oh, well that's
- 22 not going to do. Why? There is nothing in the
- 23 regulations that tells me I've got to do something
- 24 different.
- 25 It's that kind of arbitrariness that we've got to

1 just be cautious about, and I think we are, but I get

- 2 nervous when we have a debate from this dais about a
- 3 condition or something that the LEA has brought forward,
- 4 and before the LEA has a chance to talk about it, our
- 5 staff has suggested that we could deal it through the LEA
- 6 evaluation, which to me is cutting the legs out from under
- 7 an LEA, just over a difference of opinion.
- 8 I don't think it's right.
- 9 But I think we can get to it through number 3 as
- 10 long as we hold ourselves to the same standard.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: And we have tried very
- 12 hard through the development of the permit tool box that's
- 13 on line to be able to give the LEA's a very clear
- 14 indication of what our expectations are consistent with
- 15 statute and how to prepare a complete and adequate
- 16 application package.
- 17 So I think the more clear we can be through
- 18 whatever vehicles of communication we have and through the
- 19 training we can provide, we can begin to overcome some of
- 20 these problems. There needs to be willingness on both
- 21 sides.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. And
- 23 thank you Mr. Smith.
- Who was following?
- 25 MR. SMITH: Right now I'd like to introduce

- 1 Brenda Saldana.
- 2 MS. SALDANA: You're getting the whole thing.
- 3 I'll be quick. Good afternoon, board members, I'm Brenda
- 4 Saldana and I will be providing you on an update on the
- 5 second cycle LEA evaluation workplan that we've been
- 6 working on through the December 31st, 2001.
- 7 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 8 presented as follows.)
- 9 MS. SALDANA: So if you will return to Attachment
- 10 6 in your packet. And basically I'm going to be expanding
- 11 on that attachment and answering any questions. And
- 12 hopefully you'll have a good idea of what's going on with
- 13 the workplan based on the slides and that attachment.
- 14 Okay. As of December 31st, 2001 there were six
- 15 LEA's on the workplan. And for your information, I'll be
- 16 following along the attachment as we discuss each LEA's
- 17 workplan.
- 18 --000--
- 19 MS. SALDANA: Okay. The first one Shasta Trinity
- 20 Counties. The evaluation found that the LEA failed to
- 21 pair the five-year permit review reports, so therefore the
- 22 workplan requirement was to complete these permit reviews.
- The LEA processed all the reviews, so the
- 24 workplan was deemed complete.
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1 MS. SALDANA: The next one, imperial County, the

- 2 evaluation found that the LEA failed to prepare permit
- 3 revisions for landfills that had old '79, '80 and '85
- 4 permits. The workplan requirement was to revise permits
- 5 for eight sites. The status is that the CIWMB concurred
- 6 with permit revisions for seven sites in 2001.
- 7 There is one left Palo Verde which we anticipate
- 8 coming really soon. There's a little additional delay
- 9 because of CEQA issues.
- 10 And there's two remaining sites that we've
- 11 identified in the evaluation, Picacho and Brawley that are
- 12 currently under negotiations with the AB 2136 program.
- 13 So the status is that a majority of the work plan
- 14 is complete. It's ongoing until we get that final permit,
- 15 Palo Verde revised.
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- MS. SALDANA: San Benito County, the evaluation
- 18 found that the permit needed to be revised and the LEA
- 19 needed to issue an enforcement order. The status is that
- 20 CIWMB concurred with the permit revision, December 2001.
- 21 The LEA issued the enforcement order November 2001. I'm
- 22 sorry those are backwards. And the enforcement order was
- 23 basically requiring the operator to submit a complete and
- 24 correct package.
- 25 So the status is this workplan is complete.

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- MS. SALDANA: Alameda County, the evaluation
- 3 found that the LEA was inconsistent with statute and regs.
- 4 This finding was based on the situation where the LEA did
- 5 not immediately issue a cease and desist order for an
- 6 unpermitted site, U.S. Pipe and Foundary, that was
- 7 disposed in waste.
- 8 So the workplan requirement was that the LEA
- 9 update their procedures to ensure this doesn't happen
- 10 again. The status is that the LEA did update their
- 11 procedures. They followed up with an enforcement order.
- 12 The site stopped taking waste, and the LEA is now
- 13 performing a monthly inspection. The workplan is
- 14 complete.
- 15 --000--
- 16 MS. SALDANA: For Tulare County, the evaluation
- 17 found that two permits, Visalia and Woodville disposal
- 18 sites, needed to be revised. The status is that the LEA
- 19 and CIWMB are exploring permit options for Woodville.
- 20 And the CIWMB concurred with the permit revisions
- 21 for Visalia in October of 2001. The status is this
- 22 workplan is ongoing until that Woodville permit is
- 23 revised.
- 24 --000--
- MS. SALDANA: San Luis Obispo county, this

1 workplan is in the final negotiation stages. The status

- 2 is basically that the evaluation staff are reviewing the
- 3 workplan. The LEA is currently incorporating comments.
- 4 --000--
- 5 MS. SALDANA: So, at this time, if you have any
- 6 questions, I'd be happy to answer them.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 8 MS. SALDANA: And I'll turn the presentation over
- 9 to Sharon Anderson.
- 10 MS. ANDERSON: Sharon Anderson, once again, LEA
- 11 support services branch manager. Well, you've heard a lot
- 12 of the dialogue, in-depth more than you probably wanted to
- 13 know about the second cycle of the LEA evaluations. I
- 14 think it's very useful information for everyone to hear to
- 15 share with.
- 16 And you also heard a little brief overview of the
- 17 first cycle and what we learned. And because of the bumpy
- 18 road that we did experience during the first psyche, and I
- 19 mean bumpy bad, there was a lot of conflict, not that
- 20 conflict is, in a sense, bad itself. It promoted us to
- 21 take a look at how we could change our process.
- 22 And one of the things that we instituted in
- 23 changing that process is the legislative mandate of 43217,
- 24 which is our guiding premise to provide technical
- 25 guidance, training and assistance to the LEAs.

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- 3 MS. ANDERSON: I looked back at the dais and
- 4 there's nobody there.
- 5 There's a whole list of things that we've
- 6 implemented in the division and here are at the Board to
- 7 get at providing the training guidance and technical
- 8 support. One of the main things was our targeted
- 9 assistance through the triggers. And I know that there's
- 10 sort of a standing joke of when have you pulled the
- 11 triggers.
- 12 But essentially our permitting and inspection
- 13 staff are constantly looking at those trigger options as
- 14 red flags for performance downturns. Sometimes, we get to
- 15 them, but at the very beginning of when the performance is
- 16 turning down with an LEA, and we're able to stand there
- 17 and offer them a hand, a helping hand.
- One of the things that I wanted to point out with
- 19 the triggers is it's always important for our agency to be
- 20 approachable by the LEAs. And if you want to go ahead and
- 21 click on the remaining list of things that we've done.
- One of the things that we've done to be more
- 23 approachable as a board is provide a lot more tools and
- 24 resources to the LEAs, all the assistance levels,
- 25 everything that could possibly happen.

1 So in extending a hand to the LEAs we're viewed

- 2 as far more approachable so that when they do have a
- 3 situation where they're having a hard time dealing with
- 4 it, they feel more free to come to us as opposed to just
- 5 fly it in our face, you know, because sometimes we do see
- 6 that situation where it feels like we're just getting
- 7 jammed or something like that.
- 8 So my role as the branch manager for Julie is to
- 9 make sure that we have a lot of these options available
- 10 and to work with Mark de Bie and Scott Walker and the
- 11 other branch managers to continue to provide the
- 12 assistance that the LEAs needs to get the job done.
- 13 That's it.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms.
- 15 Anderson. We do have -- oh, Mr. Eaton.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I just have one question, if
- 17 you've finished there.
- We have five that we are the LEAs on?
- 19 MS. ANDERSON: Right.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Has it always been? I
- 21 thought there was three.
- 22 MS. ANDERSON: Yeah, at one time it was three and
- 23 then we took over a couple more cities, the City of El
- 24 Paso, De Robles and the City of Stockton.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: When did those take place?

- 1 MS. ANDERSON: Ninety --
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: I mean they were awhile ago,
- 3 right?
- 4 MS. ANDERSON: Yes.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: How much does that cost us
- 6 and how do they not -- can anyone just give it to us?
- 7 Now, a couple of them were forced, is my understanding.
- 8 MS. ANDERSON: Yes, Stanislaus and Santa Cruz
- 9 came out.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Were enforced, I know. So
- 11 the other volunteered?
- MS. ANDERSON: Um-hmm.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And what is the rationale
- 14 for volunteering, like the City of Berkeley, Stockton and
- 15 the other one?
- MS. ANDERSON: My hunch is the underlying
- 17 situation there was that they chose -- they looked inside
- 18 to be their own LEA and they chose to not do that. And so
- 19 they turned to the Board and said we can't find our --
- 20 we're not doing it ourselves and by law you have to take
- 21 it.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: They dedesignated them.
- 23 They dedesignated their current LEA, their county.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And by law we
- 25 have to do it?

- 1 MS. ANDERSON: Yes.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just a quick follow-up,
- 4 Madam Chair. To Mr. Eaton's question, they then pay us to
- 5 perform that from the city?
- 6 MS. ANDERSON: Yes.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Let me just ask you one
- 8 clever question. Do we give that city an LEA grant to
- 9 defer the cost?
- MS. ANDERSON: No.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Good. Thank very much. I
- 12 just was really hoping that was the answer, but I didn't
- 13 know, okay.
- 14 (Laughter.)
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's what separates us,
- 16 Mr. Jones, we'll never ask a question we don't know the
- 17 answer to.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's why you're a lawyer
- 19 and I'm a garbage man.
- 20 (Laughter.)
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Did
- 22 you wish to speak before our speaker, Mr. Paparian?
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes, just quickly, a
- 24 couple things. I think it would be interesting to have
- 25 maybe every six months or so an update of where we're at

1 with these various issues that we've discussed today,

- 2 maybe with the P&E Subcommittee, and maybe at a board
- 3 briefing.
- 4 And then I don't want to lose site of what I
- 5 suggested before, and so I'd like to suggest that maybe we
- 6 come back in a few months after counsel has had a chance
- 7 to look at this issue of what, you know, might be possible
- 8 under the existing statutes, and report back to us with
- 9 some of the options that might be available for the
- 10 further discussion.
- 11 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Perhaps May.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: That's fine.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Jones.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'm sorry, just real quick.
- 17 I think one of the things that we're going to find since
- 18 the Chair has put together committees, we're going to find
- 19 that a lot of the issues that we have to hash out from
- 20 this dais that are troublesome to us on permits are going
- 21 to really be taken care of at the Committee meetings.
- 22 We're going to be able to deal more specifically
- 23 with a lot of issues. And there won't be as much -- we
- 24 get two cuts at the apple. And what I always found was
- 25 there it really gave us the opportunity to work through

1 some of these issues, where we had more time and then they

- 2 were able to resolve them before they came to the full
- 3 board.
- 4 So a combination of the two. But I just want to
- 5 point that out, I think that's one of the significant
- 6 benefits of the committees is it gives us that opportunity
- 7 to go through a lot of this stuff. And we'll flesh out
- 8 our differences of opinion between staff and the LEA's and
- 9 that.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 11 Jones.
- 12 Justin Milan.
- 13 MR. MILAN: Thank you, Madam Chair and Board
- 14 Members. Justin Milan with the Environmental Health
- 15 Directors.
- 16 Actually, it's great to be up here and have an
- 17 opportunity to exactly commend ourselves. I go back about
- 18 eight or nine years with the LEA program, and I can tell
- 19 you that since Julie's been on board and certainly over
- 20 the last three years we've made tremendous progress.
- 21 As you heard, the first go round we had 26 LEAs
- 22 with workplans, and now we're down to six. And I
- 23 certainly don't think that's any reason because they have
- 24 been laxer. In fact, I think they've probably been a
- 25 little more rigorous.

1 And I think that's reflective of the fact that

- 2 five or six years ago we started the so-called partnership
- 3 between the Board and the LEAs. And if it did anything,
- 4 what it did is just what Sharon mentioned. Unlike Arthur
- 5 Andersen and Enron, it did actually give us an opportunity
- 6 to call up the Waste Board and say listen we've got a
- 7 couple of things to sort out, can you help us.
- 8 And that's really what the partnership was. But
- 9 when it comes to the actual evaluation, we think it's been
- 10 fair and we think it's been rather thorough. So we
- 11 certainly want to commend the Board, commend the staff on
- 12 implementing this, and as you can see, if you look at the
- 13 actually flow chart of the evaluation process, it is very
- 14 thorough, and I think it's transparent.
- 15 I think the LEAs know what they're going to be
- 16 expected to do. They're going to have a fair evaluation.
- 17 It's going to be written up. And there are appropriate
- 18 steps, tiered steps to take if they've failed in their
- 19 duties. And I don't think it's a meat cleaver approach,
- 20 where you just decertify them because they've messed up on
- 21 one or two things. There is a way of improving them
- 22 through the process.
- 23 On behalf of the environmental health directors
- 24 who are ultimately responsible for the vast majority of
- 25 the LEAs, we'd certainly support making the improvements

- 1 that you've recommended, Board Member Paparian.
- 2 I think there are areas in the permitting and the
- 3 way that we submit permits that we can make improvements.
- 4 I think there some difficulties however, because you do
- 5 have local discretion. They're, to some extent, local
- 6 permits. There's a certain interpretations of this those
- 7 permits. So when we draft up the requirements or the
- 8 expectations of the LEA, we need to do those carefully, so
- 9 that the LEA, as Board Member Jones says, knows what is
- 10 expected of her or him in the preparation of that.
- 11 We certainly look forward to working with you in
- 12 making this program even more successful. And I must tell
- 13 you that we've used it on a number of occasions as a model
- 14 of State and local partnership. We have used it as a
- 15 model in the hazardous waste program, and, in fact, have
- 16 plagiarized a lot of the regulation and taken it into what
- 17 he call the Cooper Program, six programs in the local area
- 18 where we deal with hazardous waste materials, generators,
- 19 where we deal with business plans, et cetera. And we
- 20 followed pretty closely along your model for both the
- 21 reporting and the evaluation.
- 22 So I'd be happy to answer any questions if you
- 23 have any of us. But, again, I'd like to commend your
- 24 staff. I think the dual role of providing the assistance
- 25 to the LEA has been very, very workable, very successful

- 1 and we look forward to the next round.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 3 Milan.
- 4 I don't see any questions.
- 5 Any other comments by the Board?
- 6 We had the one direction that you were going to
- 7 look into Ms. Tobias, six-month updates to the P&E
- 8 Committee. And thank you for a very complete
- 9 presentation.
- Number 14.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Item 14, is discussion
- 12 of and request for direction on Alternative Daily Cover in
- 13 response to workshops that we've conducted in January of
- 14 2002.
- 15 I know he's here some place. There he is. Scott
- 16 Walker will make the presentation.
- 17 MR. WALKER: Thank you, Julie. This item
- 18 presents results of the workshops that the Board directed
- 19 staff to have on Alternative Daily Cover issues. And in
- 20 this item we provide some suggestions to the Board of
- 21 options for further directions.
- 22 The ADC policy issues are cross-divisional. And
- 23 I just want to acknowledge that the work related to this
- 24 item has been a collaborative effort of the permitting and
- 25 enforcement, Division, Planning and Local Assistance, and

1 Waste Prevention and Market Development divisions and also

- 2 the Board's legal office.
- 3 Background, a little bit of background. The use
- 4 of waste derived ADC as I've been in front of the Board
- 5 and repeated on numerous occasions, for diversion at
- 6 landfills has been subject to significant debate and
- 7 controversy since development of board-related policies in
- 8 the early 1990s.
- 9 Legislation in 1996 clarified the legislative
- 10 intent that ADC and other beneficial use of waste
- 11 materials at landfills constitutes diversion through
- 12 recycling.
- 13 This legislation also required the Board to adopt
- 14 regulations, and in doing so to consider the viability of
- 15 the composting industry. Composting and other recycling
- 16 and biomass industries compete for feedstocks that are
- 17 also used for ADC.
- 18 At the July 2001 board meeting, there were two
- 19 items presented regarding a large increase in reported ADC
- 20 use for the year 2003, that was recorded in the Board's
- 21 disposal reporting system. The Board took specific action
- 22 on nine landfills related to this regarding potential ADC
- 23 misreporting and also overuse in conflict with State
- 24 minimum standards.
- 25 The Board also directed staff to convene a

1 working group of the public and stakeholders to develop

- 2 options for addressing three broad categories of ADC
- 3 policies issues. And these categories include, one,
- 4 statement minimum standards and Local Enforcement Agency
- 5 quidance.
- 6 The second category is ADC reporting and impacts
- 7 on jurisdiction diversion achievement.
- 8 And the third is market impacts of ADC.
- 9 The Board subsequently approved a workplan for
- 10 this effort requiring that staff bring back to the Board
- 11 options at the February board meeting which is why we're
- 12 here today.
- 13 Staff is also directed to record input separately
- 14 on legislation and any other issues that the stakeholders
- 15 brought up, but not develop specific options in those
- 16 areas.
- 17 Public workshops were conducted using a -- we
- 18 tried a little different way this time. We did an
- 19 interactive format, underwhich staff acted as facilitators
- 20 for this effort. There were over 80 participants
- 21 represented. We had a really good -- I thought a really
- 22 good broad representation of stakeholders at these
- 23 workshops, one of which was January 10th in Diamond Bar in
- 24 southern California and the other was January 17th in
- 25 Sacramento.

1 There were breakout groups formed to the extent

- 2 possible to be broadly representative of the different
- 3 stakeholder interests, and each breakout group was tasked
- 4 to identify statements of ADC issue problems, in an
- 5 afternoon session identifying potential solutions.
- 6 Consensus was desirable, but it was not required.
- 7 I just want to give you a little update on ADC
- 8 reporting before we get into the three areas. Staff has
- 9 received a recorded corrected disposal reporting system
- 10 reporting for seven facilities that were identified last
- 11 July that incorrectly reported ADC use in 2000.
- 12 The remaining two facilities Fontana and Colton
- 13 Landfills in San Bernardino County reported a high
- 14 percentage of green material ADC use. And one of those
- 15 facilities was confirmed in the field to have exceeded the
- 16 thickness limit for ADC.
- 17 As directed by the Board, these facilities were
- 18 further investigated for potential overuse of ADC and
- 19 audited for tipping fee payments by the Board of
- 20 Equalization. This audit is nearing completion and will
- 21 be reported back to the Board soon hopefully in April.
- Just a quick idea of this corrected reporting.
- 23 Initially, the reporting basically we've gotten a much
- 24 smaller increase of ADC use now in the year 2000.
- 25 However, it's also important to point out that there was

1 been an overall increase and a progressive steady increase

- 2 from previous years.
- 3 The initial 2000 reporting showed total ADC at
- 4 about five million tons or about 15 percent of the total
- 5 statewide disposal and ADC use, and of that 4.3 million
- 6 tons of green material ADC.
- 7 Since we've corrected the reporting, the total is
- 8 now Alternative Daily Cover at 2.9 million tons, the
- 9 total, or 6.9 percent of total disposal and ADC, and 1.7
- 10 million tons of this is green material ADC.
- 11 And there's a number of reasons why the
- 12 reporting. Basically, there was a lot of things going on
- 13 like the two inert facilities were substantial tonnage
- 14 that was actually reported as green waste ADC and that
- 15 subsequently was found to be disposal.
- 16 There were reporting of other beneficial uses of
- 17 waste material as green material ADC. There was
- 18 misreporting of soil hauled into the site as cover, and
- 19 that was reported as ADC. Some of that was reported as
- 20 green waste ADC. So there's a number of factors that
- 21 resulted in the corrected reports being a lot less.
- 22 With that, and, again, you know, 1999 let me just
- 23 give you an idea, the total was 2.3 million tons total
- 24 ADC, with 1.5 million tons green waste. And in 1998 the
- 25 total was 1.7 million tons with 1.1 million tons of green

- 1 waste ADC. So there still has been a progressive
- 2 increase, but much less of a jump that we initially
- 3 thought for the year 2000.
- 4 And with that, I will now present some results of
- 5 the workshop including the specific option in those three
- 6 years. And then we'll conclude with a summary of the
- 7 other issues and legislation brought up by stakeholders.
- 8 The first category of Statement Minimum Standards
- 9 and the LEA guidance, basically the majority of workshop
- 10 participants did convey that the current ADC State Minimum
- 11 Standards and reporting requirements should be updated or
- 12 revised to improve clarity and consistency of enforcement,
- 13 and that these issues cannot be addressed solely through
- 14 LEA guidance, like the LEA advisories, because such
- 15 guidance is not enforceable without the regulations to
- 16 back them up.
- 17 Stakeholders also recommended that more training
- 18 and technical assistance be provided.
- 19 The minority of participants did convey that the
- 20 current State minimum standards in their belief are
- 21 adequate. And there really is not a sufficient basis or
- 22 evidence of a problem to justify revising those standards.
- 23 However, many of the composting and other
- 24 recycling participants believe that the current ADC
- 25 standards put them in a competitive disadvantage because

- 1 their processing costs are significantly higher.
- 2 There's also a minority viewpoint that the Board
- 3 has restricted authority in adopting State minimum
- 4 standards regs, solely on the basis of public health and
- 5 safety in the environment, not on market impacts,
- 6 composting and other industries.
- 7 The Board's legal office has opined that the
- 8 Board does have authority to address these other issues,
- 9 broader issues and would have to determine through the
- 10 rule-making process that any such conditions are necessary
- 11 and appropriate.
- 12 Three categories of issues brought up by
- 13 participants to address in the revised State minimum
- 14 standards. The first being material processing's grain
- 15 size, acceptable level of contamination and consistency
- 16 with industry or ASTM ADC standards.
- 17 The second is the need to consider or look into
- 18 reporting and control of other beneficial uses of waste
- 19 material at landfills like mulch or wet weather decks,
- 20 road, things like that. There are currently no standards
- 21 that apply to other beneficial uses of waste material at
- 22 landfills.
- 23 The third is that there was comments to the
- 24 effect that the storage and handling of ADC materials
- 25 needs to be updated including consistency with the Board's

- 1 proposed regulations for compulsive organic and
- 2 construction and demolition to the facility operation.
- 3 And also the South Coast AQMD proposed Rule 1133.
- 4 There were some definition issues in there that
- 5 stakeholders brought up as needing to look into for
- 6 regulations.
- 7 A controversial, very controversial issue, is
- 8 tonnage thresholds for overuse. It is not clear, at this
- 9 time, if enforceable thresholds or guidelines for ADC
- 10 overuse could be established, because reminding the Board
- 11 that originally the staff had proposed to do thought, but
- 12 the Office of Administrative Law rejected that a number of
- 13 years ago.
- 14 The suggested option for the Board direction in
- 15 this category includes one, to initiate an informal
- 16 rule-making process with the stakeholders to develop
- 17 revised ADC State minimum standards, based on the
- 18 workshop.
- 19 And option 2 is the suggestion that we conduct
- 20 enhanced LEA training on ADC issues and regulations at the
- 21 2002 LEA conference, and that based on that training we
- 22 would expand the training to other venues and other
- 23 stakeholders.
- 24 The second major category is the alternative
- 25 daily cover disposal reporting and impacts on

1 jurisdictions. And in this category the majority of the

- 2 participants conveyed the disposal reporting system, the
- 3 ADC data collection, the consistency, the analysis and
- 4 timeliness are significant problems that need to be
- 5 addressed.
- 6 The key thing here is that if the ADC tonnage
- 7 reported to the DRS is inaccurate, this could adversely
- 8 impact jurisdiction's ability to achieve AB 939
- 9 compliance, and also impair the assessment of potential
- 10 overuse in ADC in impacts of composting in other markets.
- 11 Another area is the currently other beneficial
- 12 uses of waste materials at landfills are not required to
- 13 be reported in the DRS, and there's not consensus as to
- 14 whether or not that should be reported. Composting and
- 15 other recycling industry participants were supportive, but
- 16 landfill industry participants generally not supportive of
- 17 that.
- 18 It is also not clear, at this time, if there is
- 19 authority to require such reporting or whether this
- 20 reporting should or could be included separately in the
- 21 State minimum standards.
- The main thing with this category is that many of
- 23 these issues and proposed solutions that were raised at
- 24 the workshops are basically the same as those addressed in
- 25 the SB 2202 report to the Legislature approved by the

- 1 board in November.
- 2 Item 46 of this board meeting will consider
- 3 approval of the SB 2202 workplan. Therefore, rather than
- 4 suggest a whole other venue or initiative on these issues,
- 5 the staff suggested direction in this category is to
- 6 address the DRS and impacts on jurisdiction issues raised
- 7 in the ADC workshop through implementation of the Board's
- 8 SB 2202 workplan.
- 9 In other words, roll those right into that SB
- 10 2202 workplan. They basically already are in there and to
- 11 continue that.
- 12 I think with that now I'm going to shift over to
- 13 Howard Levenson on the market impact section so that he
- 14 can present the results of that category.
- 15 MR. LEVENSON: Howard Levenson with the Waste
- 16 Prevention and Market development. I'll just take a
- 17 couple minutes to talk about the discussions at the
- 18 workshop on impacts on markets.
- 19 As some of you know, some composters have claimed
- 20 over the years that allowing jurisdictions to gain credit
- 21 for using green material as ADC negatively impacts their
- 22 ability to get feedstock at competitive prices.
- But on the other hand, other composters have
- 24 indicated that ADC use contributes positively because it
- 25 provides a market for some of their products.

1 None of these claims have been backed by

- 2 quantitative data or analysis. There's two major problems
- 3 in our minds in trying to assessor or analyze ADC impacts.
- 4 First of all, it will be very difficult to
- 5 determine conclusively whether green material ADC use has
- 6 any impact, whether that's negative positive or neutral on
- 7 producers and markets, because as the agenda item
- 8 explains, there are many different causal factors involved
- 9 and ferreting them out would be difficult.
- 10 Also, we would need the collect and verify
- 11 financial data. In other words, open the books of compost
- 12 producers and probably some landfill operators in some
- 13 proprietary manner, but we would have to be able to verify
- 14 the kind of information about costs and revenues in order
- 15 to even begin sorting out those different causal factors.
- So we can gather some very interesting
- 17 information, but we can't tell you for sure today that an
- 18 analysis is going to conclusively demonstrate that there
- 19 are impacts one way or the other from ADC use on composts
- 20 markets.
- 21 That was kind of our conclusion going -- or our
- 22 working assumption going into the workshops. And, in
- 23 general, that was verified but there were a number of
- 24 suggestions at the workshops.
- 25 Participants at the two workshops did suggest

1 that the Board consider two different kinds of studies,

- 2 not necessarily exclusive. The first one and this is
- 3 option 4 on page 2 of the agenda item, is a yearly
- 4 infrastructure survey, which would obtain information on
- 5 trends and organics recycling and production, but not on
- 6 economic impacts of ADC use.
- 7 This is akin to the infrastructure survey that we
- 8 conducted in 2000 and published last year, and this is
- 9 something the Board can proceed with now. The Board, in
- 10 October of 2001, as part of Contract Concept 21, allocated
- 11 \$75,000 for compost related surveys. We've used about
- 12 \$25,000 of that to support testing related to the South
- 13 Coast AQMD Proposed Rule 1133. There's about \$50,000 left
- 14 from that concept.
- 15 And as I'll talk about in a minute, that is very
- 16 inadequate for conducting any kind of assessment of ADC
- 17 impacts on compost markets, but it is sufficient for
- 18 conducting a second infrastructure assessment.
- 19 So we, in Option 4, are asking your direction in
- 20 proposing using the remaining funds for second a
- 21 infrastructure survey or assessments. And we would return
- 22 in March to you with the scope of work for that
- 23 assessment.
- 24 The second study that the workshop participants
- 25 recommended the Board considering is a more detailed

- 1 analysis on economic impacts of ADC use. And, as I
- 2 mentioned, getting the data will be difficult, getting
- 3 sufficient verifiable financial data will be difficult,
- 4 and ferreting out all the factors will be difficult, so we
- 5 think that we need to do a little bit more work before we
- 6 can effectively structure an analysis and bring it back to
- 7 you for your consideration. And we can do this pretty
- 8 rapidly.
- 9 But it also is going to need a lot more funding.
- 10 So we are recommending, and I'll go through a couple
- 11 different variations, but we're basically recommending
- 12 that you direct us to seek additional input on this kind
- 13 of study, and then return to you with a contract concept
- 14 for it.
- 15 There are several different variations. Option
- 16 5, and by the way we're recommending in this set Option 7,
- 17 but option 5 would be a statewide economic analysis of ADC
- 18 impacts on the organics industry. In other words, look at
- 19 everybody in the State and try to figure out how we would
- 20 assess economic impacts on all parties involved.
- 21 Option 6 would be the same thing, except it would
- 22 expand this beyond the organics recycling industry to
- 23 include biomass to energy and construction and demolition
- 24 debris industries, which was suggested at the workshop.
- 25 Option 7 would scale this down a little bit to do

- 1 a regional analysis of ADC impacts on the organics
- 2 recycling industry, for example take several subregions in
- 3 southern California and maybe contrast it with a bay area
- 4 subregion.
- 5 And Option 8 would be a regional analysis on
- 6 organics plus biomass to energy plus C&D. These are all
- 7 likely to be very costly, based on feedback from workshop
- 8 participants, which was limited in terms of how much this
- 9 would cost. And also staff discussions with several
- 10 private and university resource economists and others, we
- 11 think it's going to probably run well over \$200,000,
- 12 depending on the scope of it, but that, at this point, is
- 13 just really a first order guess.
- 14 Within those four options that I've outlined,
- 15 Options 5 and 7, which focus on the organics recycling
- 16 industry fit within the statutory basis that's provided in
- 17 PRC 41781.3(b), which basically is part of the statute
- 18 that set up the regulations for ADC, and it talked about
- 19 focusing on the economic impacts on the composting
- 20 industry.
- 21 So we are recommending Option 7, which is on page
- 22 three, basically that you direct us to further consider a
- 23 regional economic analysis of ADC impacts on the organics
- 24 recycling industry, that we go out and get some more input
- 25 and we can do that very rapidly, and then develop a new

1 contract concept, either as part of the reallocation for

- 2 funding of this fiscal year's funds or as part of next
- 3 year's cycle, a new contract concept for your
- 4 consideration.
- 5 At a minimum, pursuing a regional analysis,
- 6 whether we can conclusively demonstrate impacts or not
- 7 would allow you to get a better handle on the study design
- 8 and the feasibility of obtaining data and even
- 9 constructing economic models, but it's, as I say, we're
- 10 not sure that we can get the answers that you might be
- 11 desiring.
- 12 So with that, I'll turn it back to Scott, unless
- 13 you have any questions.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank, Mr.
- 15 Levenson.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Can I ask a question of
- 17 Howard?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Certainly.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Isn't the problem with the
- 20 regional is that it skews the results, and the fact that
- 21 in the north we've all know got leveled, that the organics
- 22 industry as well as the ADC folks are in an economic
- 23 competition for feedstock, because both are well
- 24 developed, to some degree, more than the south, because of
- 25 permitting process and land use processes and other kinds

- 1 of things.
- 2 So if you pick the north, you're going to get
- 3 your desired result. Whereas, a statewide analysis kind
- 4 of looks at the areas where things need to be done and
- 5 what other impacts there are, where you can't isolate just
- 6 one factor to skew the results.
- 7 And I think that's troublesome to me, because
- 8 it's the same arguments that, you know, I heard ten years
- 9 ago, that there's all this impact. And yes there is
- 10 impact where there is competition for the feedstock, but
- 11 where is it that we have fully developed markets by which
- 12 to be table to make the evaluation, and that's really the
- 13 key question, because we don't.
- 14 We're under siege now in southern California
- 15 through Air Board regulations, which may or may not ever
- 16 allow any kind of industry development whatsoever for
- 17 composting. And so that's why I'm a little hesitant that
- 18 we go into just a regional, but look a statewide, to some
- 19 degree, what there are, and what has been the impact to
- 20 the locals.
- 21 I mean if you just go -- this all is from an
- 22 organics standpoint, but what is the impact to cities and
- 23 counties as it relates to their diversion?
- 24 That's not in part of your study. And you
- 25 already have the scope of work, you told me just a few

- 1 minutes ago, ready to go, come back in March.
- 2 MR. LEVENSON: That was for the Infrastructure
- 3 survey, the other part. We do have a draft scope of work
- 4 on this, and I agree with you.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: But those are the things
- 6 that are troublesome to me.
- 7 MR. LEVENSON: If I could just point out one
- 8 thing, by regional we did figure that we could have to do
- 9 some comparison of southern California versus Bay Area.
- 10 That's more a choice just of scoping to make it
- 11 manageable. I think we could certainly go forth and
- 12 solicit an opinion on a statewide if that's the
- 13 preference. And there's no conceptual there at all.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Well, I just have one
- 15 question for Mr. Walker. The figures you gave, when you
- 16 made the revised ADC numbers. Did I get you that it went
- 17 from 2.9 million was the revised tonnage, is that right?
- 18 MR. WALKER: The total revised tonnage is
- 19 approximately 2.9 million tons of ADC for 2000.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER EATON: From?
- 21 MR. WALKER: From about five million --
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay.
- 23 MR. WALKER: -- was the initial report.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And was that revised tonnage
- 25 based on how many -- was that just the four facilities?

1 MR. WALKER: It was primarily the seven, but

- 2 there were some others that there were some minor
- 3 corrections that came in, and there were some other
- 4 landfills that came in with actually recording its use
- 5 where they did report it before.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right. And you all know I'm
- 7 trying to strike a balance, because I do think there needs
- 8 to be some sort of reform in this area. But we have seven
- 9 facilities that took up roughly two-fifths of all the ADC.
- 10 So when you talk about abuses and impacts, I
- 11 mean, what are we really talking about. I mean you
- 12 talking about seven facilities which generate two million,
- 13 and, you know, I agree, I'm glad to see we got fines out,
- 14 but those seven facilities, I mean, that's real the key
- 15 component right here where we talk about an impact that
- 16 skewed the numbers.
- 17 And that's the kind of information I'd like to
- 18 kind of get out and feel for, because that is what's
- 19 taking place. I mean, there are, you know -- in those
- 20 same facilities are back trying to do it again, so to
- 21 speak, with other materials.
- 22 But that's an amazing figure where you dropped
- 23 almost 2.1 million tons and you still remain with 2.9 for
- 24 the rest of the State. So if you throw that out, then you
- 25 have to evaluate based on that.

1 The other thing about the LEA training, one of

- 2 the issues that I have is I think it's good that we're
- 3 going to do it at the conference, but I'd also like to
- 4 integrate it where we actually physically go out and look
- 5 at, because when you see it how they, you know, compress
- 6 it on a face, is much different than reading it or seeing
- 7 it in a classroom, as we all know.
- 8 And how do we do that makes a big, big
- 9 difference, because I think that's the problem that the
- 10 LEAs face is that it's not they don't understand how much
- 11 should be there, but how do you evaluate it and when it's
- 12 actually being done.
- 13 MR. WALKER: And I think that one thing to point
- 14 too is I didn't want to imply that we're not continuing
- 15 ongoing training and assistance, so we do get our in the
- 16 field periodically.
- 17 And I think that after the 2002, you know, we're
- 18 already thinking about ways to expand this and to field
- 19 trips and things like that and different stakeholders.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Like in classroom or in
- 21 field trips. But I just wanted to bring to the Board's
- 22 attention that the five million revision, when they
- 23 revised it, came from just a handful of facilities. And
- 24 that to me is very, I think, enlightening at least as it
- 25 relates to the problem. It doesn't mean that there aren't

1 problems, but the fact of the matter is what are the

- 2 problems and how to isolate those problems, is what I'm
- 3 trying to get at, as opposed to, you know, it's good, it's
- 4 bad, it's not. I mean it really is what we need to be
- 5 looking at.
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks, Madam Chair. Just
- 9 quickly, I'm glad that you touched on those, Mr. Eaton.
- 10 We could do -- it just occurred to me, you know, we've
- 11 done the most violated or the most egregious violations in
- 12 our training. We're doing load checking right now in our
- 13 training. Maybe we do training on ADC. I mean, it's a
- 14 subject.
- 15 But anyway, did we factor into these discussions
- 16 the impacts? Mr. Eaton, referred to PR 1133 and that's
- 17 going to be devastating, but the material that is the
- 18 treatment -- I forget the --
- 19 MR. LEVENSON: CCA.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yeah, that the treatment to
- 21 wood that right -- you know, before -- you know the green
- 22 wood that we used to be able to find, we used to be able
- 23 to pull it out, now they paint it or stain it every color.
- 24 So there's no way for an operator sometimes to even know
- 25 that that material has been treated. Yet if it goes to a

- 1 biomass plant, it creates a hazardous ash.
- 2 You know one of the people that came in and
- 3 talked to me about it says, you know, this would be
- 4 perfect for ADC. We've got Sudden Oak Death Syndrome,
- 5 where the feds are now saying you can't move it very far.
- 6 We've got an awful lot of issues that are impacting the
- 7 composting community and the solid waste community, but
- 8 they're also going to -- I mean, some of what we do with
- 9 ADC's are homes over at composting facilities, material
- 10 that doesn't have a home on otherwise.
- 11 Southern California would be dead meet if they
- 12 didn't have ADC as far as AB 939 goes, just ask any of
- 13 them.
- 14 But I'm a little worried when we're talking about
- 15 some of these things to not include these four, at least,
- 16 big issues that are impacting a composer's ability to
- 17 compost. We don't know if the feds are going to allow
- 18 composting to deal with Sudden Oak Death.
- 19 Hopefully, they will, but --
- 20 MR. LEVENSON: We certainly can include. What we
- 21 would do if you direct us to consider a statewide or other
- 22 kind of analysis to further consider that and bring an
- 23 item back to you as a contract concept, we could send out
- 24 very quickly to all the participants at the workshops, a
- 25 kind of draft scope of work that incorporates questions to

- 1 compost operators, landfill jurisdictions -- I mean
- 2 landfill operators, local jurisdictions, we could send
- 3 that to you for review to see if you have the right kinds
- 4 of questions.
- 5 We can definitely includes those issues as well
- 6 as any others. Obviously, it's just going to make it even
- 7 more complicated, but, I think we can shy away from that.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Can I ask a question? I
- 9 mean, you know, this is market driven. I mean we all know
- 10 that this is driven by the market. Did we ask all of the
- 11 people that want to do this, all the composters and
- 12 processor of that material, if they send material to
- 13 landfills as ADC? Did we ever ask them that?
- 14 MR. LEVENSON: We've done that as part of the
- 15 first infrastructure survey. And, of course, those were
- 16 masked summarized results, but that survey did indicate
- 17 that about 20 percent, if I recall the numbers correctly,
- 18 20 percent of the statewide production in the organics
- 19 recycling industry was for ADC. It was a higher
- 20 percentage for chippers and grinders, obviously and a
- 21 lower percentage for composters. I think the average was
- 22 20 percent.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: But I guess the question is
- 24 ADC becomes one of the pieces that any processor does,
- 25 okay. You send so much off for fuel, so much is compost

1 feedstock, so much is mulch. And there is a material that

- 2 goes as ADC.
- 3 If every one of the composters was asked a
- 4 question, does a part of your wastestream go as ADC? What
- 5 do you think the answer is going to be, out of 10 what do
- 6 think the answer is going to be?
- 7 MR. LEVENSON: Certainly a lot of them.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Nine, eight?
- 9 MR. LEVENSON: Six, seven, eight.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I mean we have to be aware
- 11 of that when we're trying to fashion something here, that
- 12 everyone of these people has to use ADC as an outlet for
- 13 their material, otherwise they're going to pay a disposal
- 14 fee to dump compost overs. I don't think you're to going
- 15 see any of them do that.
- 16 MR. LEVENSON: Well, that's why I started this by
- 17 saying it would be hard to demonstrate positive, neutral
- 18 or negative impacts, because of all those different
- 19 factors.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Exactly. So, I mean, I
- 21 think we really need to think about some of the comments
- 22 that came in from people, because we may have forgotten to
- 23 ask one or two questions. It's disingenuous to say I'm a
- 24 composter, I can't compete with ADC, if a fraction of the
- 25 waste stream that they deal with goes as ADC. It's

- 1 disingenuous us.
- 2 And when we start talking about statement minimum
- 3 standards, we have a standard. Scott, you wrote the
- 4 standards when I was on this Board of what ADC should look
- 5 like and how deep it should be. Those standards have
- 6 protected the environment and health and safety, correct?
- 7 MR. WALKER: Correct.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Is it not one of the
- 9 proposals that instead of being allowed to have a 12-inch
- 10 piece of shredded wood, some of it 12 inch, that it now
- 11 all be 3-inch. And what does that do? It drives the cost
- 12 up of that material. These are competitive issues.
- 13 The 12-inch according to everything I heard five
- 14 years ago when we were going through this protected the
- 15 environment. There's not a whole lot of 12-inch, but
- 16 there's part of it, it comes out when you shred stuff.
- I mean, that's what I think we need to be really
- 18 looking at is where have we missed? We've missed because
- 19 operators have gotten excessive with the way they've put
- 20 it on. Sometimes they didn't process it, even though the
- 21 regs say must be processed in the past tense.
- 22 I think we need to spend time to train operators
- 23 and LEA of what's going to be acceptable and not
- 24 acceptable before we start, you know, throwing the baby
- 25 out with the bath water and putting in a lot of new

1 requests for information, when maybe it could be as simple

- 2 as asking one more question.
- 3 So thanks, Madam Chair.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 5 Mr. Paparian.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes. Thank you, Madam
- 7 Chair. First of all, I want to compliment the staff for
- 8 coming up with an excellent report on this issue. I know
- 9 it's one of those issues that begins with the letter A
- 10 that's very emotional for the people involved. And I
- 11 attended the first workshop, and I could see that. I
- 12 think the staff has done a remarkable job of pulling
- 13 things together on this contentious issues.
- 14 It looks like you're looking for some direction,
- 15 you know, you had the Options 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7, as
- 16 suggested options to continue pursuing. And I certainly
- 17 agree with that. I agree also with Mr. Eaton's suggestion
- 18 that that we look more comprehensively statewide at some
- 19 of the economically related issues.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 21 Paparian. I was just going to remark that I just wanted
- 22 to be clear that your recommendation was that the Board
- 23 focus its directions on 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7. And the fact
- 24 that there aren't any public comments, public speakers, I
- 25 think you've done a great job.

1 And I think that hearing nothing else, I think I

- 2 would say the Board agrees with you.
- 3 MR. LEVENSON: If I could just ask for one point
- 4 of clarification. We will look at the statewide
- 5 implications as opposed to just a regional as we go out.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Mr. Eaton.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'd like one other thing,
- 8 because is it is somewhat emotional, but I think also you
- 9 have to realize that I don't feel, at least because I
- 10 worked on this legislation, that I have to defend it if
- 11 something is not going on that shouldn't be, because I
- 12 don't.
- 13 But what I still can't understand and we had this
- 14 discussion before, is that we know how many tons go into
- 15 these facilities every day. We know that by the State
- 16 minimum standards that X amount of a material goes on that
- 17 for the protection of health and safety, which is then
- 18 defined as ADC.
- 19 Why can't the people who get that information,
- 20 whether it's DPLA, go give it to the organics or whoever
- 21 and we come up with a finite number. I mean, that's
- 22 really how the game is played, because then the game, in
- 23 essence, says we know that there's been 800 tons. So if
- 24 20 people use it and it's applied in this manner, you come
- 25 up with five tons, so there's like 13 tons out there that

- 1 isn't allowable.
- 2 In addition to all this other stuff, that's the
- 3 key component right here, and we will find out, one,
- 4 whether it's the operators or, two, is it the people who
- 5 are reporting it or supposed to be reporting it not
- 6 reporting it properly, is it the consultants who work with
- 7 local governments who say ADC is a way to go through it.
- I mean, there's got to be a way that we know, at
- 9 least within a few percentage points, of how much is being
- 10 applied and where and how often? It's a finite number.
- 11 And what we're proceeding on is that it's a finite number.
- 12 Well, if we only allow X amount of tons and we
- 13 assume that we're filling up each and every one of these
- 14 holes and then how much is applied, I mean, that
- 15 information is available to us. We have to just pull it
- 16 together.
- 17 So instead of spending -- in addition to spending
- 18 money we ought to be pulling some of that material
- 19 together as well.
- 20 MR. WALKER: Just to add on to board member
- 21 Eaton's comment, the issue of thresholds, you know, is
- 22 something we're going to explore in this rule-making
- 23 development. But one of the things, some time -- and we
- 24 have some, kind of, rules of thumb that we could use.
- 25 It's not just thickness, but it's cover soil to waste

1 ratios that can be converted to ADC based on conversion

- 2 factors.
- 3 But, you know, sometimes the equation gets a
- 4 little complicated because certain lands fills, real small
- 5 lands fills, normally use a lot more soil, and then when
- 6 you get different types of ADCs. But it's something that
- 7 is doable in terms of a guideline, whether or not a
- 8 threshold or something like that can be developed remains
- 9 to be seen, but clearly there are some rules of thumb that
- 10 we have been using in the investigation, and we want to
- 11 kind of bring that out more to everybody, so that they see
- 12 it and can comment on it.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 14 We're going to take a ten-minute break right now, and then
- 15 we'll come back and do number 15.
- 16 (Thereupon a brief recess was taken.)
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to call
- 18 the meeting back to order, please.
- We're on item number 15.
- 20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 21 Item 15 is discussion of and request for direction
- 22 regarding --
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Excuse me, I'm
- 24 sorry. I better do ex partes first.
- Mr. Eaton.

1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Quick hello to George Larson

- 2 to Mark Aprea. I think that's all the bumped me on the
- 3 way out.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 5 Mr. Medina.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: None to report.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: None.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have none.
- 10 Senator Roberti?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: None.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- Sorry, Ms. Nauman.
- Now, we'll go on with 15.
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Discussion of and
- 16 request for direction regarding remaining landfill
- 17 capacity reporting.
- 18 And Bridget Brown will be making the
- 19 presentation.
- 20 MS. BROWN: Good afternoon, Madam Chair and Board
- 21 Members. I'm Bridget Brown with the Permitting and
- 22 Enforcement Division. This item is a discussion and
- 23 request for direction regarding remaining landfill
- 24 capacity.
- You may recall the July agenda briefing workshop,

- 1 at which staff presented an item that discussed
- 2 recommendations regarding remaining landfill capacity
- 3 identified in the California State Auditor's Report.
- 4 At that time, the Board directed staff to bring
- 5 an item back for further discussion. The auditor's report
- 6 recommended that the Board update its database and require
- 7 local governments to report accurate landfill capacity
- 8 information on an annual basis in a consistent manner.
- 9 To achieve the most accurate and consistent
- 10 remaining landfill capacity data for California, staff
- 11 recommends drafting regulations to collect current
- 12 landfill capacity information from solid waste landfill
- 13 operators.
- 14 This information will be used to create a new
- 15 landfill database to enable the Board to quickly access
- 16 the most current information on statewide remaining
- 17 landfill capacity.
- 18 Regulations will require solid waste landfill
- 19 operators to provide, one, site specific remaining
- 20 landfill capacity in a volumetric measurement, cubic
- 21 yards, for the same time period each year.
- 22 Two, site-specific compaction rates. This will
- 23 provide more site specific information instead of applying
- 24 a statewide average to all sites.
- 25 Three, site-specific ratios of waste-to-cover

1 material instead of statewide ratios. Operators know the

- 2 types of cover material used throughout any given time
- 3 period and volumetric space used by that material.
- 4 Four, other components affecting remaining
- 5 capacities such as closure requirements or settlement over
- 6 time. And, five, the type of survey methodology used to
- 7 determine remaining capacity.
- 8 This baseline information will be retained in a
- 9 database designed to generate useful and accurate
- 10 information regarding remaining landfill capacity.
- 11 New data will be requested each year, thereafter,
- 12 to account for any changes in compaction rates or methods
- 13 of applying daily cover such as tarps or foam that may
- 14 occur during a particular year.
- This annual submittal would enable the
- 16 information to be recalibrated as site-specific practices
- 17 impact remaining landfill capacity.
- 18 The Board currently obtained some information on
- 19 remaining landfill capacity in the state from various
- 20 Board programs. These programs receive information useful
- 21 for their specific needs, but based upon staff's review
- 22 the information currently gathered is not in a frequency
- 23 or form that is useful for preparing accurate, annual
- 24 remaining landfill capacity reports on a statewide basis.
- 25 A more precise methods is necessary to make the

1 important determination of remaining landfill capacity in

- 2 the State as recommended by the State Auditor.
- 3 To establish the most accurate and consistent
- 4 remaining landfill capacity data for California, staff
- 5 recommends that the Board direct staff to draft
- 6 regulations addressing the collection and maintenance of
- 7 remaining landfill capacity information for California,
- 8 and require staff to create a database identifying
- 9 statewide remaining landfill capacity to be updated
- 10 annually.
- 11 Staff requested a legal opinion as to whether the
- 12 Board can establish regulations to request this
- 13 information from landfill operators. The legal office has
- 14 indicated that the Board does have the authority to
- 15 prepare such regulations.
- 16 We have begun contacting industry representatives
- 17 to begin a dialogue regarding an accurate and consistent
- 18 system for annually reporting remaining landfill capacity
- 19 in the State. This concludes my presentation.
- 20 Staff is a available to answer any questions you
- 21 may have.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 23 Questions?
- Mr. Jones.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thank you, Madam Chair.

1 Just briefly. I had a discussion with Julie Nauman. I've

- 2 also spoken Gary Arstein-Kerslake. We approved two
- 3 permits today for Mono County. Both of those permits
- 4 indicate what the design capacity is that we just
- 5 permitted, one was 320,000 cubic yards, the other was
- 6 340,000 cubic yards.
- 7 We have a computer system that we like to tout,
- 8 and I think rightfully so, as one of the best in all of
- 9 the Cal EPA agencies. And I think we do have an
- 10 obligation to be able to determine landfill capacity, both
- 11 regionally and on a statewide basis.
- 12 But we also have the tools available to us
- 13 through Mr. Sitts' system that he's working on, as well as
- 14 Mr. Schiavo's system where we've got the DRS reporting
- 15 that tells us how much tonnage goes to a landfill every
- 16 quarter. We've got the BOE which substantiates that with
- 17 fees. We know that in most places in the State of
- 18 California, garbage transfers, it equates to about 1,200
- 19 pounds per cubic yard compacted in place. It's going to
- 20 vary depending upon location and site, but that's a pretty
- 21 reasonable number to go with.
- 22 We also do five-year permit reviews, where every
- 23 five years, every permit in the State of California is
- 24 supposed to come forward with a review. I'd like us to
- 25 think about the fact that we can get this information

1 through our existing computer system, that we put down

- 2 what the permitting capacity is, we deduct what the
- 3 tonnages are that go in every month, we make that
- 4 equation, and all that we have to find out is what are
- 5 they using this cover material for?
- 6 If they're using dirt, we can figure about 30
- 7 percent. If they're using ADC, we get to the heart of the
- 8 issue that we just talked about before with tonnages.
- 9 We've got that report that comes in to our staff through
- 10 the DRS on alternative daily cover.
- 11 And then the other issue would be do they use
- 12 tarps where there is no cover that goes on until they get
- 13 to an intermediate stage or, you know, till they get the
- 14 lifts built to a certain point where they're going to put
- 15 dirt on it for stability and construction.
- 16 I'd offer that we ought take some time with
- 17 staff, especially with the direction of the Chair that
- 18 we're going to start committees. Gary didn't sign off
- 19 that this could be done. I mean, that he would support
- 20 it, but he supported the idea that we ought to look at it,
- 21 because he thinks this computer system can do this.
- 22 And part of what -- I mean, to run another reg
- 23 package and say here give us this information, is an easy
- 24 way to do it for us. It's not so easy for the operators.
- 25 But we've got the information here. And I'd like to be

1 able to take the time to really kind of flesh this idea

- 2 out, and see if we can't use our state-of-the-art computer
- 3 system to really get this information, because it would be
- 4 validated every five years when they do a permit review.
- 5 And that's one less burden for people to go
- 6 through, and it's going to give us a better understanding
- 7 of the ADC issues, of the cover issues and of the garbage
- 8 issues. And we're going to be pretty close in those
- 9 five-year reviews. And if we're not, we're going to have
- 10 to figure something else out, but I'd really like us to
- 11 think about that as a way to utilize existing tools,
- 12 rather than just put another mandate on people to come up
- 13 with information that we could probably come up with with
- 14 a couple of key strokes.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I really couldn't
- 16 agree with you more, and I was going to ask Mr. Leary if
- 17 he could look at any possible duplication, any areas where
- 18 maybe some of our divisions aren't communicating
- 19 information they have, and, you know, come back to us with
- 20 that, because I really have heard a lot of complaints that
- 21 there is some area that we could grow in in our
- 22 organization, first.
- 23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: I think it's a matter
- 24 of more than a couple of key strokes, but I think Mr.
- 25 Jones has identified a possible internal solution that we

- 1 ought to evaluate. In fact, I've kind of tested the
- 2 waters a little bit in-house already, and I think it would
- 3 be a good evaluation of our current data management
- 4 program.
- 5 We have disparate information in different
- 6 systems. Profiles as Mr. Jones was alluding to, starts to
- 7 bring those systems together. Let's see if we can bring
- 8 that information together in this arena, landfill
- 9 capacity, through the profile system and pull it off, and
- 10 then relieve our stakeholders of one more regulatory
- 11 obligation to us. I'm game to give it a try if the Board
- 12 so directs us.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And then we
- 14 would -- I would certainly want to hear from other board
- 15 members, but then we can always come back and do
- 16 regulations, if we can't.
- 17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: If we find out we
- 18 can't do it.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. And we
- 20 have other board comments, and we have a speaker. But
- 21 before we do this, Mr. Jones, do you have any ex partes, I
- 22 asked everybody else.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: John Cupps and George Larson
- 24 on Life -- financial assurances.
- 25 (Laughter.)

1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.

- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 3 I met with the staff and talked with them about
- 4 some of the issues here. As I understood it, one of the
- 5 issues was that one of the places where we collect some
- 6 information right now is, I believe, it's an annual
- 7 financial assurance form that we received from the
- 8 operators.
- 9 And when staff is sharing that form with me, they
- 10 indicated that if they were going to use that information
- 11 for capacity related reports, that they may need to make
- 12 some modifications on the form to make the instructions
- 13 clearer and to assure a more consistent number coming from
- 14 the operators.
- 15 So if we move down the road of not having
- 16 regulations, I think that we should, at the same time,
- 17 make it clear that the staff can make some modifications
- 18 there for this information that they were collecting to
- 19 assure that the right instructions are there, and they're
- 20 able to collect the right kind of information.
- I also had a suggestion, and that was that, you
- 22 know, try this out for a year and have staff come back in
- 23 a year, and just let us know, how it's going to give us a
- 24 report back and maybe give us a capacity report around
- 25 September or October using the existing information and

1 systems, and then come back in about a year and let us

- 2 know how it's going, you know, if they're comfortable
- 3 continuing with without regulations or if there's any
- 4 reason to revisit the issue.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. I
- 6 appreciate that.
- 7 Mark Aprea.
- 8 MR. APREA: Madam Chair and Members of the Board,
- 9 Mark Aprea, representing Republic Services.
- 10 I think it is everyone's understanding that this
- 11 data, in terms of what the existing disposal capacity is,
- 12 is necessary for purposes of the Board for purposes of
- 13 planning and being able to respond to any policy questions
- 14 regarding disposal.
- 15 A couple of questions that we have is that given
- 16 that this data is being used as a planning tool, why would
- 17 it be within the Permitting Section of the Board?
- 18 Shouldn't it be more properly managed under DPLA for
- 19 purposes of moving forward on an ongoing basis?
- 20 Certainly, there will have to be cooperation
- 21 between the two. But if this is, in fact, a planning
- 22 tool, that would, in our view, be a more appropriate
- 23 location.
- We agree that regulations are premature at this
- 25 time both from the standpoint that the data is certainly

1 available now, and that by going the regulatory process

- 2 that we'd likely incur at least a year long delay before
- 3 being able to come up with any of the data, and that
- 4 that's really not your end-result.
- 5 Further more, I think that in terms of the audit
- 6 finding regarding this matter, I would remind the Board
- 7 that we've submitted comments on that item before and
- 8 found that the State Auditor's report was flawed in terms
- 9 of their view of the existing disposal capacity. And
- 10 certainly to the extent that the Board is in a position of
- 11 responding to those that they have this data.
- 12 Add then finally, we would ask that this Board be
- 13 mindful that while there are some who are concerned about
- 14 disposal capacity from a permitting standpoint that this
- 15 data not be used for that purpose, say, for a statutory
- 16 change that would authorize this Board to move forward in
- 17 that direction, particularly in light of the new committee
- 18 structure.
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 21 Aprea. Okay, do you have enough direction from us?
- 22 Anything else?
- 23 Did you want to make another comments, Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just briefly. Maybe we
- 25 could in time determine if one of the committees, whether

1 it's Planning or P&E, sort of help with the formation of

- 2 this stuff. I'll make myself available to help. I had
- 3 great conversations with Julie on this. There is a way to
- 4 do this.
- 5 And one of the Committees ought to have it to
- 6 help make sure that it is going through.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 8 Okay.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Madam Chair, it looks
- 10 like you might have other speaker.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's what we term limits,
- 12 constantly a new speaker.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Kelly Smith.
- 14 MR. SMITH: Thanks. I'm here speaking for
- 15 Coalition for Alternatives to Keifer Landfill and the
- 16 North Valley Coalition. Both those groups were very
- 17 supportive of the recommendations in the State Auditor's
- 18 report.
- 19 I guess we would lament today, more than a year
- 20 later, that none of those recommendations have actually
- 21 been acted upon by this Board. Yet today here you have a
- 22 chance to actually implement something in response to
- 23 those recommendations, something that would seem so
- 24 obvious in terms of the role that you have that is
- 25 providing accurate information on disposal.

1 And I'm somewhat concerned that I sense a

- 2 tentativeness, more of a back-burner approach to it,
- 3 another year, then we'll see how things go. Maybe then
- 4 we'll ask them to give us some actual data.
- 5 Your staff has indicated that they can do it now.
- 6 There's a crying need for that information. If nothing
- 7 else, look at the agenda item you had just before this one
- 8 where you can't figure out what ADC's role is in disposal
- 9 and how it's fitting into you're disposal reporting
- 10 system.
- 11 The other needs of other beneficial uses and how
- 12 those are being reported. These things you should know.
- 13 I really want to disagree with the previous speaker's
- 14 recommendation that this be used as a planning or policy
- 15 tool.
- 16 It's clear that the amount that goes into
- 17 landfills is critical to your job in regulating landfills.
- 18 It's also critical in such things as the reporting to the
- 19 Board of Equalization. And if the numbers don't add up,
- 20 you should know and Board of Equalization should know and
- 21 they should know right away.
- 22 And if the Board of Equalization isn't getting
- 23 accurate figures and you aren't able to provide them soon,
- 24 that's a problem.
- 25 Another use obviously is very clearly the

1 reporting of diversion from disposal that these figures

- 2 would be able to present. These are central to your role
- 3 here. And at least this should be provided to the public.
- 4 The purpose here shouldn't be to make it easier
- 5 for stakeholders, that is landfill operators, to go about
- 6 disposing waste in landfills. It should be to provide
- 7 this information to the public that bears the brunt of
- 8 that garbage going into the landfill.
- 9 With that said, there's a few other sort of
- 10 recommendations. I don't want to micromanage what staff
- 11 would have to do to fulfill this job, but I would second
- 12 some of the issues that they raised as far as the actual
- 13 compaction rates at landfills, that's very wise obviously,
- 14 rather than a uniform statewide 1,200 pounds per yard.
- 15 The compaction rates vary quite a bit.
- 16 The same with the daily cover and what's being
- 17 used. That information in itself, bearing in mind, again,
- 18 what you were just talking about, could be invaluable for
- 19 real figures. I mean, what are we scared of finding out
- 20 here.
- 21 You know, how much isn't being paid to the Board
- 22 of Equalization, for example? Is that why we're not
- 23 finding this out? You should act today to implement
- 24 regulations, if necessary, to get this information. And
- 25 you should start right away with putting that information

1 in a form that can be accessible by the public on the web

- 2 site, easily identified.
- 3 The methodology, while it will be very helpful to
- 4 have a board certified methodology as it were, it is not
- 5 that -- it's not that critical. That methodology may be
- 6 criticized and people will take pot shots from both sides.
- 7 But I would also pose, back to the policy and
- 8 planning aspect of this, that's an important service
- 9 rather than leaving it to both sides of disposal capacity,
- 10 both of the sides that are concerned about it, to resort
- 11 to Chicken Little allegations what it suits their
- 12 purposes.
- 13 This is a very objective role that's central to
- 14 the Board. And so I'd ask you to adopt staff's
- 15 recommendation one and get under way with it immediately.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, for
- 17 your input, Mr. Smith.
- 18 Special Waste, number 16.
- 19 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 20 Good afternoon Chair and members, Martha Gildart with the
- 21 Special Waste Division. Item 16 through 21 deals with the
- 22 Board's waste tire program.
- 23 Items 16 and 17 are recommendations for grant
- 24 awards for the current fiscal year 2001/2002, while items
- 25 18 and 19 are seeking approval for grant criteria and

1 their evaluation processes for next fiscal year 2002/2003.

- I wanted to emphasize the differences in the
- 3 fiscals year just so can you keep them in mind as the
- 4 presentations are made.
- 5 Items 20 and 21 are seeking approval for a scope
- 6 of work and a contractor for a consumer education effort
- 7 with funding that comes from both fiscal years. We have
- 8 representatives of the recommended contractor present
- 9 today and given the lateness of the hour, we request the
- 10 Chair's permission to start our presentation with Item 20.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: That's fine.
- 12 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 13 In that case then, consideration of approval of scope of
- 14 work for the Consumer Education Tire Survey brochure and
- 15 public serve announcements contract will be made by
- 16 Christina Pennington of the Waste Tire Diversion Section.
- 17 And I would like to note that this is her fist
- 18 presentation to the Board.
- 19 MS. PENNINGTON: Madam Chair and Members of the
- 20 Board, my name is Christina Pennington. I work, again, in
- 21 the special waste division Agenda item 20 proposes that
- 22 the California Integrated Waste Management Board approved
- 23 the scope of work for the consumer Education tire survey
- 24 brochure public serve announcements contract.
- 25 Add its March 2001 meeting the Board approved the

- 1 five-year plan for the Waste Tire Management Program.
- 2 This scope of work for the Consumer Education Tire Survey
- 3 brochure and public service announcements contract is
- 4 taken from the five contract.
- 5 The five year defines plan defines both the
- 6 dollar amount to be pent as well as a timeframe for each
- 7 aspect of this contract. Two hundred fifty thousand
- 8 dollars has been allocated for an initial baseline survey
- 9 an tire brochures. The tire brochures and the survey the
- 10 monies for that is to be encumbered in fiscal year
- 11 2001/200. And \$350,000 has been allocated to script and
- 12 record public service announcements be encumbered in
- 13 fiscal years 2002/200.
- 14 Two additional follow-up surveys will be
- 15 conducted in fiscal years 2003/2004 and 2005/2006
- 16 according to the five-year plan. However, they will not
- 17 be included in this scope of work, because as mandated by
- 18 the Legislature, the five-year plan is to be reviewed and
- 19 revised every two years.
- 20 The purpose of this scope of work is to establish
- 21 guidelines by which the contractor shall, one, complete an
- 22 initial base line survey through a random sampling of
- 23 California vehicle owners on proper tire maintenance and
- 24 disposal practices, consumer tire purchasing habits and
- 25 consumer knowledge or lack there of regarding tire

1 purchasing and availability of products produced using

- 2 California waste tires; and, two, to design and produce
- 3 brochures and public service announcements based on the
- 4 analysis from the initial baseline survey that will
- 5 increase the public's awareness of tire maintenance,
- 6 disposals, purchasing habits and tire recycled product
- 7 information.
- 8 As outlined in the five-year plan and as briefly
- 9 stated above, there are three main subsections within this
- 10 contracted.
- 11 The first one an initial baseline consumer
- 12 education survey, two, the design and production of
- 13 consumer education brochures, and, three, the scripting
- 14 and/or recording of consumer education public service
- 15 announcements.
- 16 Also, provided in the scope of work and to be
- 17 carried out by the contractor are, A, a written report of
- 18 requirements to be carried at a minimum after each task,
- 19 and to be given to CIWMB contract manager. B, two
- 20 presentations to the Board at appointed times during the
- 21 board meetings. The first one is to be conducted after
- 22 the completion and analysis of the tire survey, and the
- 23 second to be conducted at the conclusion of the contract.
- 24 And, C, presentations to be conducted during tire
- 25 conferences the specific conferences and dates are to be

1 determined at a latter date by the CIWMB contract manager.

- 2 Staff recommends that the Board approve Option 1,
- 3 approval of the scope of work for the consumer education
- 4 tire survey brochure and public service announcements
- 5 contracted, and adopt Resolution 2002-53.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I have a question.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I have a comment. I'd just
- 9 like to kind of know from a general philosophical kind of
- 10 viewpoint, why would we be doing a brochure on tire
- 11 maintenance, and I didn't see the other words that were
- 12 here, new tire purchases and tire care awareness. I know
- 13 the importance of it. But if you've ever bought tires or
- 14 if you've ever purchased a new car, which is now covered
- 15 by the tire bill, all of those are already included and
- 16 distributed.
- 17 So how would we improve upon the distribution and
- 18 why would our brochure be better? And I raise this not
- 19 because I disagree, but wouldn't the money be better spent
- 20 in putting it in a media campaign that's a little more
- 21 along our mission statement, which I see the other 350,000
- 22 is public service announcements, but if we do have an
- 23 amnesty day or if we do have a way to educate the public
- 24 maybe not on tire performance, but in some other kinds of
- 25 campaigns through the media, would that not be a better

1 way than trying to outdo what's already been done through

- 2 any of the tire manufacturers, which are required under
- 3 the law?
- 4 And how would this contractor be able to outdo
- 5 Good Year, how would they be able to outdo Michelin? What
- 6 would we be able to do to get this into the hands of the
- 7 public better, and that's all I'm really saying.
- 8 I mean I agree, we shouldn't pay a contractor for
- 9 that, but some of the other stuff -- but that one part
- 10 that quarter million dollars, when I look at some of the
- 11 stuff that the Department of Conservation has to do for
- 12 \$57 million, and then we have to do it?
- 13 I mean, we could be doing some other things about
- 14 trailing it for amnesty day for instance. There are
- 15 Amnesty days down in San Benito County or in Riverside
- 16 county. Can you do public service announcements that
- 17 would get people to say here's where you dispose of your
- 18 tires or here's what uses can be done.
- I mean the core question is not why tire care
- 20 performance, is why do think we should out do this and is
- 21 that a wise expenditure of money as it relates to money
- 22 we're getting from tire funds, which is really to try and
- 23 get reuse, reduce and recycle?
- 24 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 25 Part of our intent in developing these brochures is to

- 1 help with the reduction and generation of waste tires.
- 2 Yes, there have been many brochures developed both by the
- 3 tire industry and through or grant program amnesty day,
- 4 and our grant public education is a large component.
- 5 Those brochures are often very specific as to a
- 6 product, promoting a product or a particular industry's
- 7 line or a particular amnesty day and location.
- 8 Our plan was to have something that was little
- 9 more generically developed that could be distributed
- 10 statewide. If the Board concurs that the money needs to
- 11 be distributed in a slightly different fashion to these
- 12 tasks, we could certainly do that, but our concept was to
- 13 try to address waste reduction need in a generic manner
- 14 that would be appropriate for State distribution
- 15 statewide.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: So it wasn't
- 17 specifically on maintenance?
- 18 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 19 No, it would be. The intent was if you go in and buy a
- 20 Michelin tire, and they provide you a brochure, there's
- 21 going to be information about the different makes and
- 22 models of Michelin tires. Rather than make any such
- 23 reference to specific tire models, we would be doing a
- 24 more generic brochure that would describe proper
- 25 maintenance, inflation, rotation how to check for tread

1 depth, how get to the most mileage out of those tires so

- 2 that you get as much usage and therefore don't have to
- 3 praise them as quickly.
- 4 If the concern is that that's seems to be too
- 5 much money, then we could certainly readdress the scope of
- 6 that task.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Every products liability
- 8 law, that's in all 50 states, and even the most recent
- 9 indents involving the Firestone tires, each and every one
- 10 of those brochures dealt with rotation, they dealt with
- 11 proper inflation, all of those things, the very thing we
- 12 would be duplicating.
- 13 I'm not saying that they can't be incorporated
- 14 into something we do, but let us use the emphasis on
- 15 something that's going to get the message out about that
- 16 one this is a particular problem, and that what you should
- 17 try and do is the following X, Y, and Z through a nice
- 18 media campaign.
- 19 But brochures, I mean, you know in a statewide
- 20 survey like \$40,000, \$45,000 I guess now. I assume that's
- 21 what's you're going to do, you're going to do a sample of
- 22 about \$1,000 individuals and make it any sort of, you
- 23 know, sample proof testing.
- 24 It's really that. I mean, I understand where
- 25 you're going. And I think what we're trying to get to the

1 same point. The question is, is this is a lot of money

- 2 and you've got other -- if you go through the workplan,
- 3 this is just the first phase, because you're going to be
- 4 doing additional brochures as well. And we'd just be
- 5 reproducing the same as what's already been produced
- 6 before. And I think we can do better. I know we can do
- 7 better. I know you can do better.
- 8 And I know that we have the creative minds to be
- 9 able to do better. And I don't see any creativity here in
- 10 terms of how we solve some of the problems we have with
- 11 tires and, yes, proper inflation will reduce them, but how
- 12 do we dispose of them, how do we get to reuse them, how do
- 13 we reduce it.
- 14 What products should you buy that will help us
- 15 with the problem? I mean, that's really the core, and I
- 16 think we can get there. I don't see this workplan getting
- 17 us there. I think it's, you know, it's a feel good kind
- 18 of thing. And that's good, but it's already been done and
- 19 it's been done several times before.
- 20 MS. BROWN: There are, as mentioned briefly, four
- 21 main aspects of the contract. One, obviously the survey,
- 22 to determine what areas the public most needs to know
- 23 about. The four areas of the brochure and the public
- 24 service announcements will cover are not only tire
- 25 maintenance and disposal issues, but also what products

1 out there are made from recycled waste tires, so that

- 2 consumers can try to purchase those as well as to give
- 3 them some knowledge as to which tires are better to
- 4 purchase, which ones will last longer so they don't go
- 5 into the waste stream, which ones are more economical for
- 6 them as well.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Madam Chair.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian?
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I want to say I think Mr.
- 10 Eaton brings up some good points, we ought to spend our
- 11 money wisely out of the tire plan, but this is, I think,
- 12 an important aspect of what we do.
- 13 If you add up the money in the five-year tire
- 14 plan, I don't have the figures off the top of my head, but
- 15 if you look at our mandate of source reduction, recycling,
- 16 reuse, and safe disposal, most of the money in the tire
- 17 plan is lower down on that hierarchy. There isn't much
- 18 money in the source reduction end of things.
- 19 This contracting, in fact, is one of the source
- 20 reduction aspects of tires. It's reducing the number of
- 21 waste tires that are produced. If tires are used
- 22 properly, if longer lived tires are on the road, we have
- 23 less tires reaching the waste stream.
- 24 When I spoke with representatives of the tire
- 25 industry last month, I was not so surprised to find out

1 that people, in fact, are not maintaining their tires very

- 2 well. And that there is a pretty dramatic decrease in the
- 3 lifespan of tires for tires that are not properly inflated
- 4 and properly maintained.
- 5 So if there are additional ways we can try to
- 6 reach the public to provide public education, to encourage
- 7 people to buy longer lived tires and get more life out of
- 8 their existing tires, it could have a pretty significant
- 9 impact on the overall goals of reducing the number of
- 10 waste tires that are out there.
- 11 So, as I said, I think Mr. Eaton has made some
- 12 good points. And I think as we develop future plans, we
- 13 ought to, you know, incorporate some of those, but, you
- 14 know, this contract is what we have before us and I'd like
- 15 to go with this.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Well, that's what we have
- 17 before us, that doesn't mean we can't change it. And
- 18 that's what the debate is about right now, not to be put
- 19 off into the future.
- 20 I mean, just sitting here I can think of saving a
- 21 life and save one other. And if you had a good media
- 22 campaign either through radio spots and/or television, you
- 23 would get to a much greater universe. And what you would
- 24 do by saying save a life, would be you would then inform
- 25 the public through electronic media of saving the life of

1 the tire and saving your own life, because both are tied

- 2 automatically to the inflation.
- 3 But distributing a brochure which is already
- 4 being distributed in a way which is already, if you just
- 5 even follow the news accounts, the core question is does
- 6 the consumer read this material?
- 7 And all my question was, is what are we going to
- 8 do with your brochure that can outdo this multi-million
- 9 dollar corporations that market this stuff in a better way
- 10 than we do. And I'm just looking for a way to be able to
- 11 take this contract and getting some bang out of it and
- 12 getting some good PR.
- 13 And I don't disagree that the general mission is
- 14 here in terms of the reduction. But let's get it out
- 15 there, get it out where the people are going to hear it
- 16 and see it. They're not going to see it in their glove
- 17 compartment. They're not going to go to the grocery
- 18 stores.
- I mean, maybe if we put it in the Department, I
- 20 guess, Driver's Ed would be a good thing. But I'm trying
- 21 to get something that can get us visibility here, Mike,
- 22 and I think that's the point. And because the contract is
- 23 before us, so what. Let's do better. Let's do better
- 24 than the Department of Conservation.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.

1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I do like this debate.

- 2 We're never going to get to Item 24, and mostly because of
- 3 me, but I think Mr. Eaton is right.
- 4 And, Mr. Paparian, you just said something that I
- 5 think we could look at. And he's asking to us expand this
- 6 thing a little bit. Quite honestly, I didn't pay a whole
- 7 lot of attention to this issue. Mr. Paparian says that
- 8 the tire industry says that tires aren't lasting as long.
- 9 Why aren't they lasting as long? Because gas stations now
- 10 sell food instead of service, right?
- 11 People go in and they pump their own gas. They
- 12 get it filled up, and that's an achievement in and of
- 13 itself, and then they leave. There's nobody there that
- 14 ever bends down and checks the air of a tire. There's
- 15 value in looking at this, and saying what are the things
- 16 that are making people less aware of their tires that can
- 17 be done in PSA's, TV, radio that could have a bigger
- 18 impact than a brochure.
- 19 And I know at the briefing I said, why don't we
- 20 hook up with the tire dealers who wanted to hook up with
- 21 us anyway on a brochure. And there's some rule that says
- 22 you probably can't, but I've got faith that you guys will
- 23 figure that out.
- 24 But maybe we need to augment this and get
- 25 creative about the idea that people -- I mean, we've

1 changed the way we drive our cars. And if you've got a

- 2 tire that is fully inflated, you're getting better gas
- 3 mileage. We never talk about that.
- 4 If you've got tires that are properly inflated,
- 5 not only are they safer, but they get better gas mileage.
- 6 So there is some real opportunities here to do some
- 7 education through radio spots and TV spots that could help
- 8 the citizens of California understand things that they
- 9 hadn't ever seen before or don't even understand why
- 10 they've got to pay a quarter to get air at a gas station.
- 11 And then maybe we follow that up with actually
- 12 giving away tire gauges. I mean, this is a pretty good
- 13 challenge That Mr. Eaton has just come out with that we
- 14 could make this a huge campaign with the very things that
- 15 debate has brought out.
- 16 I mean, you've hit on some good issues. Let's
- 17 tell the public what the issues are and the way to
- 18 actually solve it and make their lives a little better,
- 19 better gas mileage, tires that last longer. And maybe we
- 20 follow it up with giving away tire gauges to everybody.
- 21 There's only 34 million.
- 22 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 23 There are various kinds of literature and posters and
- 24 information at gas stations are -- part of this proposal
- 25 includes a survey of consumers to find out what do they

1 know, what do they not know, and how best to fill that

- 2 gap.
- 3 Maybe we need to focus a little bit more on the
- 4 how rather than the what. And with a minor amendment to
- 5 the scope, find out what is the most effective means of
- 6 communication, would it be brochures, posters, PSA's,
- 7 videos what have you? Is that sort the feeling the Board
- 8 has?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I was just going
- 10 to say, I was laughing and here I'm going to make a fool
- 11 out of myself, again, like I did at the budget
- 12 subcommittee. But, you know, about not filling my gas
- 13 tank, well, I would not be reading the brochure in my
- 14 glove compartment either. And I do agree that we have to
- 15 get the attention.
- 16 If it were me, I mean, I wouldn't probably read
- 17 the brochure. And no offense, I think you guys have done
- 18 a fantastic job on this.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: On the advise of counsel I
- 20 wouldn't make that admission.
- 21 (Laughter.)
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: So it's not a
- 23 criticism. I'm just trying to be honest. But if I saw
- 24 something, save a life, I'd think of my grand kids, and I
- 25 would make that connection. And so I think there's some

1 real points well taken. I mean, you know, I know some of

- 2 you guys probably read all of these. You kick your tires
- 3 and all of that, but there's a lot of people who don't.
- 4 (Laughter.)
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And we watch the Man Show.
- 6 (Laughter.)
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm not going to discuss
- 8 my relationship with my tires.
- 9 (Laughter.)
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: You know, I think
- 11 ultimately, you know, I believe the way we're going to
- 12 have a big impact on this issue is not through paid media,
- 13 but through free media opportunities. I don't think we'll
- 14 ever have the budget to have paid adds that really reach a
- 15 significant number of Californians on this issue.
- But I think some of the material that's developed
- 17 here will help with a free media campaign so that -- Frank
- 18 is going to hate me when I say this, but so that when we
- 19 go out to, you know, radio stations and newspaper
- 20 reporters and automotive editors and others, and try to
- 21 make this a big issue and an issue that gets out there on
- 22 radio, on TV and in the newspapers and news stories, that
- 23 it has an impact.
- I mean I think the brochure -- we're dwelling on
- 25 the brochure, but there's more to this contract than just

- 1 the brochure.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Correct, but the brochure is
- 3 worth --
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: \$250,000.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: -- \$250,000.
- 6 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 7 That includes the survey.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right, and I understand the
- 9 survey, but you already, you know, what you've got to do
- 10 in the brochure. I mean, I don't have a problem with the
- 11 survey. I mean, if it makes people feel good about having
- 12 reconfirmation, that's fine, or if there's a better way to
- 13 do it. But is it a qualitative survey or a quantitative
- 14 survey? Is it going to be a poll or is there going to be
- 15 focus groups?
- 16 MS. PENNINGTON: It's actually going to be a
- 17 telephone survey a random sample of a vehicle owners via
- 18 telephone survey.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Okay. So it's going to be a
- 20 quantitative versus a qualitative, for basically people to
- 21 look at. Whereas in a focus group, if you look at a
- 22 brochure or if you look at a picture or if you look at
- 23 something else, you get some immediate feedback. And I'm
- 24 not trying to debate here. I just think it's a lot of
- 25 money to spend and you don't get much bang for your buck.

1 And I think there's a better way -- I'm not

- 2 saying we don't do something like this. I'm just saying
- 3 what is the best way to do it, what is the best
- 4 combination of ways in which to be able to do it?
- 5 You know, I think, you know, to have to defend
- 6 the fact that, you know, the workplan where you just
- 7 continue to produce brochures doesn't get to what we want
- 8 to do.
- 9 And all I'm trying to do is live up to the
- 10 potential that we have. And I think that this plan falls
- 11 short of living up to that potential that we have, because
- 12 we've get a constant source of money. It's not the only
- 13 thing. I'm not saying eliminate the brochure, but I'm
- 14 saying what other things are there in there that we can
- 15 do.
- 16 MS. PENNINGTON: Maybe to give you kind of a
- 17 broader idea of what we envisioned, the survey isn't only
- 18 there to give us information for the brochure, but for the
- 19 public service announcements campaign that we intend to
- 20 wage as well.
- 21 We envision doing radio spots and TV spots in
- 22 multi-lingual and different languages. And I think with
- 23 the brochure, rather than simply being something we hand
- 24 out at the dealership, we had a few different creative
- 25 thoughts in mind, maybe having it at the DMV when people

1 are actually standing in line, board, wanting something to

- 2 read, maybe having videos for them to watch while they're
- 3 waiting at some of these dealerships and things that kind
- 4 of would catch their eye maybe a little bit more than just
- 5 the brochures.
- 6 It was three-fold. It was the survey, the
- 7 brochures, but then also \$350,000 to be spent on public
- 8 surveys announcements, on a media campaign as well.
- 9 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 10 If the Board has specific direction on how to shift some
- 11 of the funding on these tasks, I mean, we're certainly
- 12 open to those suggestions.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have a question
- 14 was Cal State Chico going to work with up on the PSA's
- 15 also?
- 16 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 17 Yes.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I mean, well we
- 19 certainly don't have consensus, but if somebody would like
- 20 to come up with an idea, then we can talk about it, maybe
- 21 we could put more money into the PSAs. And then whether
- 22 we go and try to find free spots or, you know, pay some of
- 23 them, I mean, I think maybe the money would be a lot
- 24 better spent. That's just my opinion.
- Mr. Eaton.

1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Well, I think there's a

- 2 couple of things that can be done in terms of coming back
- 3 with some of the tasks, is that to look at it not so much
- 4 from just one year, but to look at what is it that you
- 5 want to do. And you've done some of that already with the
- 6 brochure, because you talked about, in here, that you'll
- 7 be coming back in the future fiscal year's funding for
- 8 future projects not covered in this are \$150,000 for a
- 9 survey or additional brochures so now, we're going to do
- 10 another survey in year 2003, because this one somehow is
- 11 not going to work.
- 12 And then in 2003/2004 another \$30,000 for a
- 13 survey. So now we spent \$180,000 in addition to whatever
- 14 we're going to spend now on brochures and surveys in the
- 15 subsequent fiscal years.
- 16 And all I'm trying to say is let's think about
- 17 what is it that we want to do for the next 18 months in
- 18 effort. A combination of brochures, paid media, free
- 19 media strategy, and put that together and put it into our
- 20 tasks.
- 21 Now, if we have to go out and hire a contractor
- 22 to do that, that would be acceptable to me, but that's not
- 23 a \$200,000 or \$300,000 expenditure of money. That's
- 24 rather, you know -- I don't know, I don't even know what
- 25 amount of money to have someone come back and do that.

- 1 Maybe Frank or someone in the media can do that.
- 2 Then we've got some sense of what it is that you
- 3 want to do. Let's say for instance you want to focus, Mr.
- 4 Paparian, on source reduction, then that's sort of what we
- 5 ought to take. Come up with a strategy, a media strategy,
- 6 that would include print material, electronic material as
- 7 well as a free media strategy that can help us do source
- 8 reduction as it relates to tires.
- 9 That's what this project ought to be. And then
- 10 we see if we have enough money to put it together, and I
- 11 think we will. I mean, we're already, you know, counting
- 12 up the nickels and dimes already. That's what I'm kind of
- 13 getting at, instead of this sort of just, you know, come
- 14 out with a workplan and we're just kind a of churning
- 15 things.
- I think we can do better. And that's what I'm
- 17 looking at. Let's just see what it would cost to go out
- 18 and have someone develop a strategy for us, because
- 19 obviously we're not all that proficient. And, quite
- 20 frankly, it may be a better contract to let and then let
- 21 our staff go and do what they do best and that's really
- 22 maintaining some of the other tire programs which is the
- 23 real nitty-gritty work that goes out there.
- 24 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 25 On page 20-4 of your item, which is page two of the

1 Attachment 1, there's a list A, B, C and D, which were the

- 2 major tasks to be performed by the contractor.
- 3 Would you be interested in having, like, Task A,
- 4 which is completing the initial baseline survey, expanded
- 5 a larger audience, you know, a larger portion of the
- 6 funding, and then rather than come back, B, with the
- 7 direction that they actually design and produce brochures,
- 8 we can have them present to the Board recommendations on
- 9 what the split should be between printed media and spoken
- 10 electronic media. Would that service the interests of the
- 11 Board?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: The baseline survey comes
- 13 after you've developed a basic, you know, way or that may
- 14 be part of the overall strategy. You don't do a survey
- 15 first and then follow through. You've got to get some
- 16 idea, some questions, some basis for doing the baseline
- 17 survey. And what are the four or five main components we,
- 18 as a Board, want to do. And I ask you what are the four
- 19 or five things you would put in a baseline?
- 20 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 21 To find out from the public what they do know or do not
- 22 know about maintenance of the tire; what forms of
- 23 communication would reach them, whether printed or
- 24 electronic; and what sort of follow-up might help, both of
- 25 local governments who deal with this problem or even with

1 gas stations, you know, is there a way to work with the

- 2 gas stations. I could see a series of projects that come
- 3 from the results of such a survey.
- 4 We dont' know sufficiently why people aren't
- 5 already doing what is in their best interests to do,
- 6 maintain their tires.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And see, I look at it and
- 8 maybe we just differ, you know. We see the same thing.
- 9 We just see it from a different pointed of view, as the
- 10 song says, but the whole idea here is I think there are
- 11 people who know how to communicate and now what the
- 12 effective way to carry a message is. They don't need to
- 13 have a survey to do that.
- 14 What they need to know is what kinds of material
- 15 you want to put in there and what would be the most
- 16 effective message, and so they developed messages before
- 17 they go out with a survey, and they test those messages
- 18 and they test those surveys, just like they test a theme.
- 19 You know, Pepsi is for the old generation. They
- 20 test that. Well, you know, that's probably not really
- 21 good, you know, because Britney Spears is, you know --
- 22 like with the hip, you know, generation and whatever.
- 23 And they try these things out. So you have to
- 24 have a basis by which to be table to do these things. And
- 25 rather than just going out and saying contract to go do a

1 survey, you know, it's just -- I think it's just a waste

- 2 of our dollars and it subjects us to vulnerabilities.
- 3 First off, the motor car deals are not going to
- 4 put -- if anything, they're going to hand out brochures
- 5 telling us go tell the State, they're charging at three or
- 6 four bucks a tire here to do it, because they're already
- 7 trying, you know, to not have to pay it.
- 8 I just think we need to just try and get the
- 9 media department together and hire some real professional
- 10 consultants who may recommend a baseline survey. And
- 11 that's fine, but it's going to be a survey that's going to
- 12 communicate what it is we're trying to do and how we need
- 13 to try and do that, and where we need to do it at? And in
- 14 and what communities and income.
- We are already know that in the lower income
- 16 communities and the nonenglish speaking communities they
- 17 already reuse and reduce and recycle better than everyone
- 18 else, because economically they can't afford new tires.
- I mean, we all know the basics, so would the
- 20 survey go in there and ask them about tire inflation?
- 21 I mean, they're worried about dollars and cents.
- 22 And so I've probably gone on far too much. And I know, I
- 23 just think that, you know, with this, you guys can vote it
- 24 out, if you like.
- 25 I think it needs a lot more work. I think we

1 need to come back and have a grander scale, given the fact

- 2 that we have a lot of money coming through our doors in
- 3 the next couple of years.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chair, I think my
- 6 board members have all made some very good points here.
- 7 And I'm agreement that this item is not ready to
- 8 go forward with today. It needs more work and then we
- 9 come back to it.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, when do you
- 11 think you could come back with hit?
- 12 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 13 Well, I think for staff's education, it would be helpful
- 14 to have input from board member offices more directly than
- 15 we've had in the past.
- 16 What we've put toward is our best understanding
- 17 of how to approach the problem. If there is something
- 18 that's missing and that we need, then I would like some
- 19 more specific guidance. So perhaps some of the staff, the
- 20 Board staff, Board Office's staff could work with us?
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Of course. And
- 22 we appreciate all your efforts. And this, you know,
- 23 certainly might be the way we go it, but I think with the
- 24 Board staff members working with you, working with PIO,
- 25 and maybe we can get a little further on it. But I think,

1 at this point, it's in the best interests of all of us to

- 2 go ahead and continue it.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Well --
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I mean the one thing I
- 6 think the staff is an awkward position here, because they
- 7 think that they responded in this item to the request of
- 8 the Board. It was in the five-year plan. It came up
- 9 first in the Committee meeting we had on the five-year
- 10 plan. Mr. Jones, Mr. Eaton and myself are on that
- 11 committee.
- 12 Then it went into the plan. The plan was debated
- 13 several times at the Board it was in there at those times,
- 14 and with a description of a project somewhat like this.
- 15 So I think if we're going to send it out and then bring it
- 16 book, we're going to need to work very closely with the
- 17 staff to let them know what we really want, because I
- 18 think, from their perspective, they did a good job of
- 19 responding to what the Board requested of them through the
- 20 five-year plan.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I agree.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Can I ask a question of the
- 25 representative from Chico State, please.

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1 MR. FLETCHER: Yes, sir. I'm Jim Fletcher,
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- 2 director of the Survey Research Center from Chico State.
- 3 I just -- I don't have a conflict here, my son is a senior
- 4 at Chico State, but he's not in your division.
- 5 Based on some of the comments that were made by
- 6 the members, there seems to be a lot of emphasis on the
- 7 brochure. Clearly, I guess, part of the question would be
- 8 has there been an interaction between you and our staff on
- 9 developing this scope of work or are you responding to
- 10 this scope of work?
- 11 MR. FLETCHER: I think that we're simply
- 12 responding to it. I think that the points that Mr. Eaton
- 13 made were good points. The process that we envisioned on
- 14 the survey is that we would not initially go out and do a
- 15 survey. The process that we go through, and we've done
- 16 this with the Public Utility Commission last April. We've
- 17 done it with CalTrans on drive satisfaction survey.
- 18 First and foremost to do a literature review and
- 19 see what has been down out there in terms of where people
- 20 get information, how they get information, the relative
- 21 credibility of that information and then making decisions
- 22 about things like tire maintenance or waste disposal.
- 23 The second step in the process then would be to
- 24 conduct focus groups of different ethnic groups, different
- 25 multi-lingual groups to find out what they know about tire

- 1 maintenance. Are they reading the brochures and
- 2 information that the dealers are providing them, how are
- 3 they responding to it, what kinds of challenges are they
- 4 running into in terms of maintaining their tires.
- 5 And then after we've gone through that process
- 6 and done reporting on that, then we're ready to identify
- 7 clear topics that need to be asked in the surveys, so that
- 8 we get meaningful information, including what would be the
- 9 best ways to communicate this information back to these
- 10 groups. And it may be that some groups you communicate
- 11 with one or two different approaches, a different group
- 12 might require a very different approach.
- 13 You might have a brochure, a brochure might not
- 14 work. You may have PSAs that are strategically placed.
- 15 You may have information that's given out at tire dealers.
- 16 But that would be the approach that we would
- 17 follow to try to make sure that we've identified all the
- 18 issues among the different groups that we know what
- 19 relevant questions to ask in the survey. Otherwise, if
- 20 you design a survey without that background information,
- 21 without the literature review and without the focus
- 22 groups, you can be asking questions that may or may not be
- 23 relevant to the topic.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So part of the results of
- 25 that initial work would actually be the recommendation

- 1 that could come forward to this Board as to where to
- 2 really focus our resources, and in the vehicles that we
- 3 could use to get to those people?
- 4 MR. FLETCHER: That's correct. To segment the
- 5 California drivers and to say that in order to reach,
- 6 let's say, Spanish speaking households or Spanish speaking
- 7 drivers, these might be the best media outlets to do that,
- 8 the most cost effective, because if you shotgun it, if you
- 9 put PSAs up and they're not paying attention to PSAs or
- 10 the PSAs don't necessarily have credibility with them,
- 11 you're wasting your money.
- 12 So what you want to do is identify as part of the
- 13 survey, identify the most cost effective outlets that
- 14 going to have the credibility, that are going to be placed
- 15 at times or at locations where they're going to get the
- 16 information and they're going to use that information in
- 17 their decision making.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I've got two more, and then
- 20 I'll you sit down.
- 21 If as you're developing this stuff, is there
- 22 working groups with our staff here? I mean, there was
- 23 some interesting issues that came up from the dais that
- 24 everybody was kind of dealing with on the fly. They're
- 25 going to help formulate the type -- that kind of back and

1 forth would help formulate questions and direction more so

- 2 than vehicles of how we get that information out.
- 3 MR. FLETCHER: Absolutely. The process that
- 4 we've always followed is when we do a literature review,
- 5 we could come back and go over that with staff and say
- 6 these are the issues that have come out in the literature,
- 7 are you aware of other issues in your work with this issue
- 8 that perhaps were not uncovered as topics in this
- 9 literature review?
- 10 Once we got a set of topics together, we have a
- 11 focus group expert, Dr. Ruth Guzley who's been doing focus
- 12 groups for 27 years, would actually put together a set of
- 13 questions and probing questions that would be used in
- 14 focus groups. We would go back and review those with
- 15 staff and discuss those. And once staff was comfortable
- 16 with those, then we would go out and recruit people to
- 17 participate in the focus groups.
- 18 And the way we do focus groups, is we do random
- 19 digit dialing recruitment, so that we get a truly
- 20 representative cross section of people from whatever
- 21 groups that we're targeting.
- 22 Let's say we want to have, as we did with the
- 23 PUC, we had Mandarin focus groups, we had Spanish focus
- 24 groups, and English focus groups. We did random digit
- 25 dialing to make sure that we got a cross section of people

1 from each of those language groups to participate in the

- 2 focus groups.
- 3 From that, we come back, we content analyze all
- 4 of the information that's gathered in the focus groups.
- 5 That then is summarized and then we come up with a list of
- 6 topics that need to be included in the survey. We draft
- 7 the survey. We work closely with staff in going over
- 8 those questions.
- 9 Once staff says those are a go, we do a pretest
- 10 on a small sample of each language group that we would be
- 11 surveying to make sure that the questions are clear, that
- 12 they're ordered properly, that people don't seem to have a
- 13 problem with them and then once we make whatever changes
- 14 are necessary and staff's signs off on the changes, then
- 15 we're ready to go into actual data collection.
- 16 So it's a fairly involved process, but you end up
- 17 getting a meaningful product. You find out what the
- 18 relevant topics. You find out how people respond to it
- 19 and where they get information and the relative
- 20 credibility of the information, so then when you go out on
- 21 a media campaign, whatever media you choose, is most
- 22 likely going to be effective in change people's behavior.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 24 Senator Roberti.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair, I think

1 probably it is our obligation to sort of inform staff as

- 2 to where our minds are otherwise we'll leave them sort of
- 3 lurking trying to figure out what's on our mind.
- 4 Actually, I came here this afternoon fully
- 5 prepared to vote for this. I certainly will defer to my
- 6 colleagues who've made good suggestions. And maybe we
- 7 could use a little bit more work for more specificity. So
- 8 I for one might be looking for more specificity, somewhat
- 9 along the lines of what the representative from Chico
- 10 State has been speaking, so we have a clearer idea of what
- 11 we are voting for.
- 12 But I don't think we do know from off the top of
- 13 our heads how to approach this problem. Despite my basic
- 14 legalitarian instincts, I think the biggest problem we
- 15 have here is with do-it-yourselfers, who accumulate tires
- 16 just as they accumulate used oil, and don't dispose of it
- 17 properly or don't use the commodity properly, simply
- 18 because we are lacking education.
- 19 We have to start somewhere, and I think this
- 20 Board has to start somewhere. So PSAs and a brochure
- 21 strike me as the right way to go. But certainly if my
- 22 colleagues feel more comfortable and justifiably so, with
- 23 more specificity, I hope we come back sooner rather than
- 24 later with a more specific plan as to just what will be in
- 25 the focus groups, who will we be talking to, what groups

- 1 we're going to be targeting.
- 3 this one, although that may be another side of the coin.
- 4 I'm concerned about people who do it themselves. Many of
- 5 the people who have come with tire abuse, before us have
- 6 essentially been do-it-yourselfers, who are going to make
- 7 money on somehow reusing these tires and all they end up
- 8 doing is accumulating them. Maybe if they knew how to use
- 9 them better, that wouldn't happen.
- 10 So I'm willing to wait and get a more precise
- 11 program. But I do hope we pass something along these
- 12 lines in the not too distant future.
- 13 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 14 If I could just comment. The scope of work, pages 20-4
- 15 and 20-5, do described the same process that Chico is
- 16 going to undertake with a literature survey, the design
- 17 and conduct the telephone survey, and then reporting back
- 18 to the CIWMB and moving forward from there.
- 19 We would be very happy to add some more
- 20 specificity, but I believe this lays out very much the
- 21 same thing that was just described. So if there's
- 22 something in addition the Board wants, we need to have
- 23 that so we can add it in language.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Just speaking for myself,
- 25 the languages that are going to be used, the social

1 logical group that we are going to be approaching, income

- 2 levels, people's relationships with their automobiles and
- 3 automobile material, such as do you change your own oil,
- 4 do you change your own tires, do you collect your own
- 5 tires?
- 6 I'd be interested to know why people collect
- 7 tires. And we get all kind of reasons. If it's to
- 8 eventually use a tire better and make it last longer,
- 9 we're missing something. So one of the first things $\ensuremath{\text{I}}$
- 10 learned when I came on the Board with tires is there's an
- 11 amusing whole subculture of people who have sort of an
- 12 affair with their tires.
- 13 (Laughter.)
- 14 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: It was amazing to me, and
- 15 maybe we should try to find out about this, too.
- 16 (Laughter.)
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 18 Senator. And, Ms. Gildart, I am sorry for the confusion.
- 19 Personally, I have no problem with the survey and finding
- 20 out. And maybe the brochure is the way to go after we do
- 21 the survey. It's just that \$250,000 for the brochure kind
- 22 of hit me wrong also.
- 23 And I certainly love Cal State Chico. I have a
- 24 graduate, and we want to work with you. And we'll try and
- 25 communicate better to the staff.

1 So I really think in the interests of time and

- 2 everything we'll go ahead and continue 20 and 21, try and
- 3 get with you, and we'll continue it.
- 4 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 5 Is that to the march meeting then?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: How about committee? Send
- 7 it through the Committee.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: The Special Waste
- 9 Committee?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Absolutely.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 12 Thank you.
- 13 Thank you, Ms. Gildart and thank you also.
- 14 Did you want to go to 22 now?
- 15 Okay, back to 16.
- 16 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 17 Back to 16. Items 16 and 17 deal with awards of funds
- 18 for this current year.
- 19 Item 16 is consideration of approval of the grant
- 20 awards for the waste tire track and other recreational
- 21 surfacing grant program. This is the first time we had
- 22 split out funding for this program. In past years, we had
- 23 combined the playground mat grants with the track
- 24 surfacing grants.
- 25 This item is going to be presented by Patty

- 1 Dumont of the Waste Tire Diversion Sections.
- 2 MS. DUMONT: Madam Chair, board members, good
- 3 afternoon. As Martha said, my name is Patty Dumont. I'm
- 4 with the Special Waste Division.
- 5 I am presenting item number 16 today,
- 6 consideration of approval of the grant awards for the
- 7 waste tire track and other recreational surfacing grant
- 8 program for fiscal year 2001/2002.
- 9 At this time, I'd like to bring your attention to
- 10 Attachment number 4, funding recommendations. There is a
- 11 smaller error. The City of Long Beach, the recommendation
- 12 should read \$48,503, which would change the total to
- 13 \$954,879.66.
- 14 The five-year plan for the Waste Tire Recycling
- 15 Management Fund contains a proposal to fund the waste tire
- 16 track and other recreational surfacing grants for five
- 17 fiscal years beginning with the 2001/2002 fiscal year.
- 18 This plan approved by the Board at its March 2001
- 19 meeting, allocates one million dollars per fiscal year to
- 20 fund this program. This program is intended to fund each
- 21 project up to \$100,000. And applicants are required to
- 22 match 100 percent unless they are eligible for and claim
- 23 extreme financial hardship.
- 24 At its July 2001 meeting the board approved the
- 25 distribution of funds, applicant and project eligibility,

1 scoring criteria and the evaluation process for this grant

- 2 cycle. The notice of funds available was posted on the
- 3 Board's web site, and was mailed to more than 4,000
- 4 potential applicants in August 2001.
- 5 On October 30th, we received 31 applications
- 6 requesting more than \$2.2 million in funding. One
- 7 application was determined to be ineligible at that time.
- 8 The Grants Administration Unit entered all
- 9 applications into the Board's grant, tracking and
- 10 information system. The grant manager with the assistance
- 11 of the Grant Administration and other divisions organized
- 12 two scoring panels comprised of three staff each.
- We then conducted a benchmark and scoring
- 14 training meeting, so that all staff could acquire a
- 15 thorough understanding of the application, the scoring
- 16 process and the criteria.
- 17 After all applications were scored, the grant
- 18 manager entered the scores into a spreadsheet for analysis
- 19 and a post-scoring review team was assembled. The team
- 20 consisted of the grant manager, the supervisor of the
- 21 program and a representative from the Financial Assistance
- 22 Branch.
- 23 The team evaluated the score sheets for all the
- 24 applications, with scores falling within three points
- 25 above and below the 70 point passing mark.

1 Criteria number 10, estimated cost per California

- 2 waste tire diverted from the waste stream had some
- 3 problems. Out of 30 applications, 13 applications, or 43
- 4 percent, displayed difficulty completing the calculation
- 5 requirements in criteria number 10.
- 6 This criterion could have given The applicants up
- 7 to ten points. After consultation with the Board's legal
- 8 office, staff determined that this criteria needed further
- 9 clarification. Thus, all applications received ten
- 10 points. This criteria will be clarified in future
- 11 applications.
- 12 After the scoring review process, the grant
- 13 manager sorted the passing Applications for northern and
- 14 southern California in descending order of application
- 15 scores. Application scores ranged from 60 to 90 points,
- 16 and the overall average score was 80. The maximum store
- 17 for these applications is 100 points.
- 18 At the July 25/26 meeting, the Board approved
- 19 awarding 39 percent of the funds to agencies in northern
- 20 California, and 61 percent to those in southern
- 21 California. This division of the State is based on the
- 22 estimated population of each county in January 2000
- 23 provided by the Department of Finance.
- 24 Of the 30 eligible applications that were scored,
- 25 16 applications were from northern California or 53.3

1 percent, 14 applications were from southern California or

- 2 46.6 percent. Twenty-six applications or 87 percent
- 3 received a passing score for this cycle.
- 4 The funding requests from the 26 passing
- 5 applications totaled \$1,949,288.66.
- 6 The amount allocated to this grant program from
- 7 tire fund is one million dollars. Fifteen of the passing
- 8 applications can be funded from the current allocation of
- 9 money.
- 10 Of the 30 applications scored, 11 applicants or
- 11 37 percent qualified to receive points for economic need,
- 12 eight from northern California and three from southern
- 13 California. Ten out of those 11 applicants received
- 14 passing scores.
- 15 The number of points applicants received depended
- 16 on the median household income of the project's zip code
- 17 area. Of those ten applications that received points for
- 18 economic need, two applicants received five points, four
- 19 applicants received seven points, and four applicants
- 20 received ten points.
- 21 Those applicants that received ten points were
- 22 eligible to receive a -- could request to match 50
- 23 percent of the grant funds requested. However, only one
- 24 of those four applicants requested the extreme financial
- 25 need criteria.

1 The staff recommends that the board award five

- 2 northern California projects with passing scores for a
- 3 total of amount of \$346,376.66 cents and award ten
- 4 southern California projects with a passing score for a
- 5 total amount of \$608,503 with the currently allocation of
- 6 funding.
- 7 And we request that you approve the ranking of
- 8 the remaining ten northern California projects with
- 9 passing scores for a total amount of \$894,409. And the
- 10 one southern California project, with a passing score for
- 11 a total of \$100,000.
- 12 These 11 remaining projects total \$994,409 and
- 13 will be presented again with the tire recycling management
- 14 fund reallocation item in April.
- 15 That concludes my presentation.
- Do you have any questions?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 19 MEMBER JONES: I'll move adoption of resolution
- 20 2002-113, consideration of the approval of grant awards
- 21 for waste tire track and other recreational surfacing
- 22 grants programs for fiscal year 2001/2002.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll second that.
- 24 Any discussion?
- 25 Senator.

1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Just very briefly, I have

- 2 certainly no question on staff's good work in putting this
- 3 together, but I do think that the sparsity of applications
- 4 from southern California, and the less than perfect scores
- 5 that many of those applicants got, tends to make me feel
- 6 there's something in the system, and I don't know what,
- 7 that indicates that we're just not reaching out to a whole
- 8 section of the State.
- 9 And I think, at one point, we were going to hire
- 10 waste tire division people in southern California. And
- 11 then I guess we were undergoing a freeze at the moment or
- 12 whatever.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: But I understood
- 14 we got those exemptions, so we'll be doing it. And I
- 15 certainly hope one of these people specialized as an
- 16 outreach.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Yeah, I tend to think it's
- 18 quite obvious here there's a problem. But I think it is a
- 19 problem that we have in many of our grants, and many of
- 20 our education programs. It's just such a huge State.
- 21 It's such a huge State.
- 22 And for things to emanate from Sacramento through
- 23 nobody's fault, in most cases, is just very very
- 24 difficult. But I favor this grant award.
- I think staff has done a good job here, but there

- 1 is an obvious problem when, you know, we just breathe a
- 2 sigh of relief because we have just barely enough southern
- 3 California applications that have passing scores to fill
- 4 their quota of the money. Something is wrong in the
- 5 system, and I hope we deal with it.
- 6 MS. DUMONT: To address that issue, we are
- 7 revamping our mailing list, and we are making sure that we
- 8 are getting more mailing addresses.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Very good. And I think
- 10 that will be helpful, and my quarrel is not with staff on
- 11 this, but there is a problem.
- MS. DUMONT: Thank you.
- 13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Madam Chair, Terry
- 14 Jordan with the Administration and Finance Division.
- 15 I'd like to add to that. With regards to the
- 16 Senator's concerns. And that is the Administration and
- 17 Finance Division's Grants Unit with the partnership of
- 18 PROGRAM are working on a contract concept to bring forward
- 19 in the April reallocation item, which will basically
- 20 address not only grant writing for the locals, but also to
- 21 address outreach.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Very good. That will be
- 23 very helpful.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I also share the Senator's
- 25 concerns in that, in reading through these, it troubles me

1 not to see the school districts of San Jose, Oakland, San

- 2 Francisco included in this. And, again, I think this has
- 3 to do with outreach.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We do have a
- 5 motion and a second to approve resolution 200-113.
- 6 Please call the roll.
- 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 19 Item 17.
- 20 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 21 Item 17 is consideration of approval of the grant awards
- 22 for the Waste Tire Playground Cover Grant Program for
- 23 fiscal year 2001/2002.
- 24 And this item will be presented by presented by
- 25 Linda Dickinson of the Waste Tire Diversion Section.

1 MR. DICKINSON: Good afternoon. I'm Linda

- 2 Dickinson.
- 3 Today I'll be presenting two agenda items. The
- 4 first one is the award item for the playground cover
- 5 Program fiscal year 2001/2002.
- 6 Attachment 1 presents the criteria for this grant
- 7 cycle. Attachment 2(a) and 2(b) list the passing and
- 8 failing projects in descending order, by a session number
- 9 from both southern and northern California. Attachment 3
- 10 provides project descriptions for the projects with
- 11 passing scores, and attachment 4 lists the 26 projects
- 12 that we have recommended for funding.
- 13 A little background on our grant Program is, the
- 14 Board is awarded grants for playground cover since fiscal
- 15 year 96/97 with the exception of one year in 2000/2001.
- 16 The five-year plan approved by the Board at its
- 17 March 2001 meeting Designates \$800,000 to fund the Waste
- 18 Tire Playground Cover Grant Program for five fiscal years
- 19 beginning in fiscal year 2001/2002.
- 20 This item is the first cycle Under the five-year
- 21 plan. The Board received 43 grant applications requesting
- 22 just over one million. 60.5 percent of the applications
- 23 received were from southern California and 39.5 percent
- 24 were from northern California.
- In accordance with the Board's grant award

1 process, staff is making recommendations for funding grant

- 2 applications based on the project eligibility, applicant
- 3 eligibility, scoring criteria and evaluation process
- 4 approved by the board at the July 2001 board meeting.
- 5 The grant program is intended to fund programs up
- 6 to \$25,000 each, not to exceed \$800,000 for this grant
- 7 cycle with an even match. The match can be reduced to 50
- 8 percent of the grant request if the applicant qualifies
- 9 for financial hardships.
- 10 Staff is recommending that the Board approve
- 11 Option 1 and award funds to the 26 applicants which pass
- 12 the grant review process for a combined total of \$565,648
- 13 in funding.
- 14 The criteria and points are in Attachment 1. And
- 15 the points the Board assigned at the July Board meeting
- 16 are as follows:
- 17 For the general criteria, under Need, 25 points;
- 18 Objectives, 15; Methodology, five points; Evaluation, five
- 19 points; Budget, five points; Completeness, five points;
- 20 and Evidence of Recycle-Content Purchasing Policy or
- 21 Directive, ten points, for a total 70 under General
- 22 Criteria.
- The grant application has 15 points in the
- 24 environmental criteria. We separated out the recycling
- 25 and sustainable practices criterion from the buy recycled

1 criterion and gave it five points in the Program Criteria

- 2 section.
- 3 This criterion requires the applicant to explain
- 4 how it handles internal waste, reuses items, handles waste
- 5 for special events, and as green waste practices, such as
- 6 mulching and composting. At the July 2001 board meeting
- 7 this method was approved. Thus, we didn't meet the 15
- 8 percent on the buy-recycled because it wasn't in effect
- 9 yet.
- 10 Under program criteria, we did the recycling
- 11 Program for five points. If you didn't have a prior waste
- 12 tire playground cover rant in the last two fiscal years
- 13 that was available, you got five points. And then we have
- 14 a cost per tire, which is the estimated cost of a
- 15 California tire diverted from the waste stream, you got
- 16 anywhere from zero to ten points.
- 17 But actually because of a problem that came up
- 18 once we evaluated the applicants everybody got ten points
- 19 for that, and we'll explain that later. There was also up
- 20 to ten points that you could get for economic need.
- 21 Staff mailed Notice of Funds Available to more
- 22 than 4,400 potential applicants in August 2001.
- 23 Some key issues are, after the scoring review
- 24 process, staff sorted the pass applications for northern
- 25 and southern California according to descending order of

1 the application scores. Scores ranged from 87 to 48

- 2 points. The average score for all 43 applications was
- 3 69.7 not passing.
- 4 Of the 43 applications scored, 26, or 61 percent,
- 5 achieved a passing scoring, 11 applications from northern
- 6 California, or 42.3 percent, and 15 applications from
- 7 southern California, or 57.7 percent. The funding
- 8 requests from all passing applications totaled \$565,648.
- 9 Of that amount \$314,873, or 55.7 percent, was for southern
- 10 California, \$250,775, or 44.3 percent, was for northern
- 11 California.
- 12 If the Board approves staff's funding
- 13 recommendations, \$234,352 will be available for
- 14 reallocation.
- 15 And one of the key issues under the north/south
- 16 split issue. Of the 43 applications scored, 17 or 39
- 17 percent achieved a failing score, a geographic
- 18 distribution of funds only works if there are many more
- 19 passing applications from both northern and southern
- 20 California than there is funding available.
- 21 For this grant cycle, not enough grant
- 22 applications passed the review process to divide the
- 23 available funding among northern and southern communities.
- 24 Out of the failed applications, five were from northern
- 25 California, 29 percent, and 12 were from southern

- 1 California, 71 percent.
- 2 The issue regarding cost per tire criterion, is
- 3 as follows:
- 4 Out of the 43 applications, 22 or 51 percent had
- 5 difficulty completing the calculation requirements for the
- 6 criterion on estimated cost per California waste tire
- 7 diverted from the waste stream. For this cycle, the
- 8 five-year plan new methodology for this criterion was
- 9 developed to reward the project that used the most waste
- 10 tires for the least cost.
- 11 Each applicant was required to provide a
- 12 calculation to determine the cost of each waste tire
- 13 diverted from the waste stream, by using eligible costs of
- 14 the total project, including match plus grant funding and
- 15 dividing the number of pounds of California waste tire
- 16 rubber used in the project.
- 17 Because over half the applicants did not provide
- 18 a correct calculation or no calculation at all, staff
- 19 consulted with the Board's legal offers to discuss
- 20 alternatives before the applications were evaluated and
- 21 rated by scoring teams.
- The Board's legal office and program staff
- 23 determined this criterion needed further clarification in
- 24 the application's instruction section. Thus all
- 25 applicants received ten points for the cost per tire

1 criterion, and we'll be making changes in the next item,

- 2 in the next fiscal year.
- 3 Under economic need, because only 26 applications
- 4 had a passing score above funding not all of the \$800,000
- 5 is recommended for grant funding. Consequently, staff
- 6 finds it necessary to analyze why this occurred.
- 7 First, why do we not received more applications
- 8 for the grant funding. And although staff was very
- 9 diligent in obtaining mailing lists of over 4,400 possible
- 10 applications, many of the eligible applicants are facing
- 11 an uncertain fiscal future due to a downturn in the
- 12 economy.
- 13 Further, two other playground related grants
- 14 administered by the Board might have played a role in
- 15 saturating the playground market. Lastly, the funding for
- 16 this grant program was increased to \$800,000 and no longer
- 17 includes track and another recreational surfacing.
- 18 Staff also analyzed the scores of the
- 19 applications to find out why applicants were unable to
- 20 fulfill the requirements of the grant application. We
- 21 know that many of the failing applications were weak in
- 22 answering most of the general criteria. In addition, the
- 23 economic hardship criterion was not claimed by many
- 24 applicants.
- 25 Also, if you noticed in northern California, many

- 1 more claimed the economic need than in southern
- 2 California, both from my program and for the track and
- 3 other recreational surfacing. We don't know why that is.
- 4 It could be we could subject you to a lot of guesses. But
- 5 because of that, for the next process, we've lowered that
- 6 from ten points to five points. Hopefully, that won't
- 7 cause southern California such a huge differentiation in
- 8 the points that are awarded.
- 9 Staff feels the two-pronged approach to resolving
- 10 this issue should take place. First, plans are being made
- 11 for assisting eligible participants and improve their
- 12 grant writing abilities. Staff will post good examples of
- 13 grant applications on the Board's web site. Additionally,
- 14 our grants administration unit, as indicated by Terry
- 15 Jordan, has been directed by the Board and is already
- 16 making plans to hold grant training sessions throughout
- 17 California.
- The training we've been told will focus on much
- 19 of the general criteria areas that applicants did not
- 20 accurately develop, and we are also told that that would
- 21 be at the April board meeting.
- 22 Second, as it relates to this grant program,
- 23 staff can request changes to the next grant cycle
- 24 application and scoring criteria. The suggested changes
- 25 will be made during the presentation of Agenda Item number

- 1 19.
- 2 Finally, the staff recommends the Board approve
- 3 resolution number 2002-114 and award a total of \$565,648
- 4 to the 26 projects listed on Attachment 4.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair?
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'd like to move adoption of
- 8 resolution 2002-114, revised, for a total of -- for the
- 9 consideration of approval of grant awards for the waste
- 10 tire playground cover grant fiscal year 2001/2002 for
- 11 \$565,648.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chair, I'd like to
- 13 second this motion, and also ask a question, whether
- 14 tribes are eligible to apply for these grants under Items
- 15 16 and 17?
- 16 MR. DICKINSON: Yes, they are. They're listed as
- 17 one of the eligible applicants.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Thank you.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We have a
- 20 motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Medina to approve
- 21 resolution 2001-114.
- 22 Please call the roll.
- 23 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 25 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?

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1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
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- 2 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 3 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 4 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 6 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 7 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 8 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 10 The court reporter needs a five minute break, or
- 11 do you need ten minutes, Jim?
- 12 THE REPORTER: Five or ten is fine.
- 13 (Laughter.)
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Ten is fine.
- 15 (Thereupon a brief recess was taken.)
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I call the
- 17 meeting back to order. And I believe we left off at
- 18 number 18; is that correct?
- 19 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 20 Yes. Agenda Item 18 is the consideration of approval of
- 21 proposed applicant eligibility, project eligibility,
- 22 scoring criteria and evaluation process for the fiscal
- 23 year the 2002/2003 local government, public education and
- 24 amnesty day grant program.
- 25 This is the first of two sets of criterion for

1 next fiscal year. Boxing Chen of the Waste Tire Diversion

- 2 Section will be presenting the item.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Before you begin,
- 4 did anyone have any ex partes?
- 5 No.
- 6 Okay, thank you.
- 7 MR. CHEN: Madam Chair and board members, my name
- 8 is Boxing Chen. I work as the Program manager. Today I'm
- 9 presenting to you for Agenda Item 18, consideration of
- 10 approval of proposed applicant eligibility, project
- 11 eligibility, scoring criteria, and the evaluation process
- 12 for fiscal year 2002/2003 local government public
- 13 education and amnesty grants.
- 14 Actually, this grant started from '92, but mainly
- 15 the Board already awarded 90 grants for more than \$1.4
- 16 million for supported local government to develop public
- 17 education programs about how to properly dispose and how
- 18 to properly care for the tires, and also help with the
- 19 public in dealing with the nuisance tires and also cutting
- 20 up the small tire parts. So this is like the two main
- 21 purposes of this.
- 22 And the funding is available for this program
- 23 just according to the Board approved five-year plan. The
- 24 Board has already allocated \$500,000 for the fiscal year
- 25 2002/2003.

1 At this time, I would just like for the applicant

- 2 eligibility is mainly for the California cities, counties,
- 3 special districts, and also public subdivisions and the
- 4 California indian tribes.
- 5 For the proposed project eligibility is mainly
- 6 the Program has to have two components. One is the
- 7 development to the public educational program, just as I
- 8 mentioned it before, for educating the public how to
- 9 properly take care of the tires and also how to properly
- 10 dispose of the tires.
- 11 Another project is prepare the public on dealing
- 12 with some more tire piles, and also their nuisance tires.
- 13 And I will probably mainly be talking about the proposed
- 14 scoring criteria. As you may see, I summarized the
- 15 scoring criteria in the table.
- 16 Actually, this year's proposed criteria is the
- 17 same as the last circle for the year 2001 and year 2002.
- 18 The only change is staff, according to the Board
- 19 direction, we put a total scores for 100 points, instead
- 20 of 110 for the last cycle.
- 21 And also when the changing is here, like as the
- 22 Board requested for the General Criteria 7, for evidence
- 23 for recycling contents purchasing policy and the
- 24 directive. Board directed like 15 percent of the points.
- 25 So this time we are from 10 changing to 15 and adjusting

- 1 the total for the general criteria to 65 points.
- 2 A little bit is changing here like for the needs,
- 3 just physically changing from 25 to 20. An objective from
- 4 15 changing to 10. And from the methodology, we're
- 5 changing from 10 to 5. So the total score for general
- 6 criteria will be 65 points. And for the program criteria,
- 7 there's no change. Actually, it's just the same as the
- 8 last cycle.
- 9 Criteria 8, recycling problem, this time like in
- 10 the are of like recycling and sustainable practice
- 11 program. The score is the same.
- 12 For the cost for tires for amnesty grants, we use
- 13 five points, so that's the main change for this time, for
- 14 this cycle. And for the proposed review evaluation
- 15 process is just the same as before. I won't talk too much
- 16 here.
- 17 I would suggest the Board consider the stuff --
- 18 the accommodation to adopt the Resolution 2002-55. This
- 19 concludes staff's presentation.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 21 Chen.
- 22 We have one speaker. Did any board member wish
- 23 to speak before our speakers?
- Okay, Jim Hemminger.
- I keep practicing, Jim.

- 1 Hemminger, right?
- 2 MR. HEMMINGER: Hemminger. Thank you very much,
- 3 Madam Chair and Members of the Board. I did prepare a
- 4 letter, which I believe you have copies of. I would like
- 5 to recognize in the lateness, just briefly summarize the
- 6 letter.
- 7 But, first, I do apologize of the lateness of
- 8 some of these comments. We didn't see the Board item
- 9 until it was the Board agenda, and with some holidays,
- 10 didn't really have a chance to talk the Boxing about some
- 11 of our suggestions.
- 12 He indicated it may be too late to incorporate or
- 13 consider these during this grant cycle. And if that's the
- 14 case, we'd appreciate your consideration perhaps next
- 15 year.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- MR. HEMMINGER: We do first acknowledge that the
- 18 Waste Tire Amnesty Day Grant has been a tremendous benefit
- 19 to the rural areas of California. And I list in the
- 20 letter 13-member counties who are able to participate, 13
- 21 rural counties who participate in the first couple cycles.
- 22 The current cycle though, we notice only three
- 23 counties are participating. At our ESJPA meeting last
- 24 week, I asked around to the member counties to understand
- 25 why they weren't more aggressively taking advantage of

- 1 this program?
- 2 I got a variety of responses, but the consensus
- 3 really fell into three ares. And what's before you is
- 4 three suggested modifications to the grant criteria, which
- 5 could hope encourage increased participation by the rural
- 6 counties.
- 7 The first, which may be overly ambitious. This
- 8 grant program, as I understand it, already has reduced its
- 9 match requirement from 100 percent to 50 percent across
- 10 the Board as a matching requirement. Not a lot of money,
- 11 but at least from some of the rural areas, they have
- 12 indicated that the requisite, eight or ten thousand
- 13 dollars would be sufficient to preclude their
- 14 participation in the grant program.
- 15 So we suggest the possibility of including a
- 16 provision whereas part of their application, a county
- 17 could request, based on demonstrated need, board
- 18 consideration for waiver of some of or all of the required
- 19 matching funds.
- 20 We further suggest that there be a provision for
- 21 regional programs. As this grant program is now, there's
- 22 a \$20,000 max per grant award. That's independent of the
- 23 number of participating counties. We suggest increasing
- 24 the grant award, perhaps, up to \$50,000 or \$60,000 through
- 25 regionalization.

1 It would be easier for some of the counties to

- 2 participate and to set a max if three or more
- 3 jurisdictions participate.
- 4 Lastly, there is a prohibition in the grant
- 5 eligibility for any travel reimbursement. Again, with
- 6 regionalization and different times ESJPA has helped our
- 7 member counties implement these programs, we're suggesting
- 8 consideration of allowance of say two or three percent of
- 9 a grant amount for travel reimbursement.
- 10 And perhaps just following up on your previous
- 11 discussion, somewhat riskally(sic), I was going to show a
- 12 couple brochures that we did print for Mariposa and
- 13 Siskiyou to hand out at their tire amnesty days. The
- 14 bottom line is we think is a wonderful grant program and
- 15 do appreciate the fact that the Board is continuing it.
- 16 Thank you.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Madam Chair.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm sorry. I have a
- 22 question for staff. Are transportation costs allowable,
- 23 not his travel reimbursement, but transportation. For
- 24 instance, if I bring the tires to a location, is the
- 25 jurisdiction then able to get reimbursed for transporting

- 1 those tires to a beneficial reuse facility?
- 2 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 3 The collection, yes.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: The Collection and
- 5 distribution is. So this is different.
- 6 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 7 If an individual brings the tires to the amnesty day,
- 8 that's at his own cost. But then when the jurisdiction
- 9 collects those tires and has a registered waste tire
- 10 hauler remove them, then we do cover those.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And can there be the
- 12 regional formation, is that prohibited by statute?
- 13 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 14 That's not prohibited. If the Board directed, we could
- 15 consider that.
- In some ways it might actually reduce staff
- 17 workload if we have one grant to manage this goes to three
- 18 or four jurisdictions for a larger amount. On the other
- 19 hand, it might require a little greater scrutiny on the
- 20 dollars and cents and all.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: But not only regional,
- 22 because they have their problems, which I would like to
- 23 see, but to my colleagues who are always talking about
- 24 southern California. Sometimes two or three cities are
- 25 located right next to one another. And if those two or

1 three cities that have good friendly relations were to

- 2 hook up, then maybe what you could say is that I don't
- 3 want to use regionalism, but if there's a way that you
- 4 could combine with a maximum or something that we could
- 5 do, therefore you might be able to actually enhance. And
- 6 you would minimize overhead costs.
- 7 So I would just like to perhaps maybe add that is
- 8 that somehow, you know, the eligibility would include a
- 9 maximum of three entities.
- 10 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 11 We might be able to allow like a Joint Powers Agreement.
- 12 I mean, they'd have to show some documentation that they
- 13 have such an agreement to work together.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER EATON: But that eliminates the
- 15 combination of the cities, and I'm trying to get the
- 16 cities as well, the smaller cities sometimes. And it
- 17 could be in northern or southern California or in the
- 18 central valley sometimes.
- 19 You know, that would be -- no, I'm not going
- 20 there. I'm not going there.
- 21 But I'm saying, I know there has to be evidence
- 22 for the regional, but also to encourage the fact that two
- 23 or three cities could actually hook up together and apply
- 24 is what I'm looking for, because that would obviously
- 25 minimize overhead, because you only have one

- 1 transportation.
- In many cases, as you well know, Colton and
- 3 Fontana are right next to one another, and you can't tell
- 4 the difference if you go from one to the other except if
- 5 there's a sign that says you're leaving Colton and
- 6 entering Fontana or Huntington Beach and Seal Beach and
- 7 those kinds of areas.
- 8 So I don't want to get caught in the statutory
- 9 scheme where we're prohibited from being able to partner,
- 10 I guess, is what I'm looking at.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you.
- 12 Yes.
- 13 MS. LINDERT: I'm Lin Lindert, the supervisor
- 14 over this program, and we have allowed them to do this in
- 15 the past. The difference is though, in what he's
- 16 requesting is we limit it to one application from the
- 17 three or more, if they wanted. But the amount was still
- 18 \$20,000.
- 19 So what he's asking is can we raise that. So I
- 20 think that's -- but they did have to show either an MOU
- 21 and designate a lead person for submitting payment
- 22 requests.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Well it would make sense.
- MS. LINDERT: Or a Joint powers of some sort.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: It would make sense, so if

1 you could maybe just do \$50,000, not three twenties, but

- 2 \$50,000 would be your max. That still be would better.
- 3 MS. LINDERT: For a max of three say.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 6 Mr. Jones.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks Madam Chair. I'm
- 8 going to move this, but with direction that besides the
- 9 JPA that is a government recognized entity, that if up to
- 10 three cities went together, that they could get up to
- 11 \$50,000 in a grant, is that reasonable to the members?
- 12 Okay, Madam Chair. I'm going to move adoption of
- 13 Resolution 2002-55, consideration of approval of a
- 14 proposed applicant eligibility, project eligibility,
- 15 scoring criteria, and evaluation process for the fiscal
- 16 year 2002/3, local government, public education and
- 17 amnesty grant, as amended to include up to three cities
- 18 with an MOU, \$50,000 or JPA.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I'll second the motion.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We have a
- 21 motion by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr. Medina to approve
- 22 resolution 200-55.
- 23 Please call the roll.
- 24 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.

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1 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
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- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 3 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 4 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 5 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: A.
- 11 Number 19.
- 12 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 13 Number 19 is the consideration of approval of proposed
- 14 applicant eligibility, project eligibility, scoring
- 15 criteria and evaluation process for the fiscal year 2002,
- 16 2003 waste tire playground cover grant program.
- 17 And once again Linda Dickinson will be presenting
- 18 this.
- 19 MR. DICKINSON: Again, Let's see I've written
- 20 morning, afternoon morning -- good evening, Madam Chair,
- 21 and board members I'm Linda Dickinson from the Waste Tire
- 22 diversion section of the special waste division. And I'm
- 23 presenting Agenda item 19, which is for consideration of
- 24 approval or proposed applicant eligibility project
- 25 eligibility, project eligibility, scoring criteria and

1 evaluation process for the fiscal year 2002/2003 waste

- 2 tire playground cover grant program.
- 3 Attachment 1 presents the criteria for this grant
- 4 cycle with the exception of a one year 2000/2001, the
- 5 Board has awarded grants for playground covers since 96/97
- 6 fiscal year. The five-year plan approved by the Board at
- 7 its March 2001 meeting designates \$800,000 to fund the
- 8 waste tire playground cover grant for five fiscal years
- 9 beginning in fiscal year 2001/2002.
- 10 And this item is the second cycle for the
- 11 playground cover grants under the five-year plan. This
- 12 grant program is intended to fund programs for playground
- 13 cover up to \$25,000 each, not to exceed \$800,000 for this
- 14 grant cycle.
- 15 Because the Board did not receive passing
- 16 applications for the first cycle, at the full funding
- 17 level as explained in Agenda Item 17, and after analyzing
- 18 the scores from the first cycle, staff is recommending
- 19 that the Board direct staff to make revisions to the
- 20 resolution and reduce the match requirement to 50 percent
- 21 of the grant funds and 25 percent if the grant qualifies
- 22 or the application qualifies for extreme financial
- 23 hardship.
- 24 The Board approved the reduction in the match for
- 25 the local government public education amnesty day grant

- 1 program. Staff hopes that this reduction in the match
- 2 requirement will entice more applicants to apply for grant
- 3 funds from throughout California.
- 4 As required by the procedures for presenting this
- 5 growing criteria and evaluation process to the Board,
- 6 staff assigned point values to each category of the
- 7 general review criteria and proposed program criteria in
- 8 Attachment 1.
- 9 The criteria and points associated with each
- 10 section are as follows:
- 11 For general criteria, the Need is 20 points,
- 12 Objectives 10, methodology is five, evaluation is 5,
- 13 budget is 10, completeness is 10 points, evidence of
- 14 recycled content purchase policy is 15 points, which is 15
- 15 percent. This is a total of 75 possible general criteria
- 16 points.
- 17 Under program criteria, we've kept the recycling
- 18 program on sustainable waste for five points. If you've
- 19 had a prior waste tire playground cover grant program --
- 20 if you haven't had one, you received five points. We've
- 21 reduced the cost per tire. Actually, we've kept it the
- 22 same to ten points. The economic need is the one we
- 23 reduced to five points.
- 24 The changes from the previous cycle have been
- 25 made to improve and to increase the applications received.

1 The applications that failed in the first cycle of this

- 2 grant program consistently had problems with the budget
- 3 criterion.
- 4 In this cycle, we've changed the points that you
- 5 can receive for this section from five to ten in the hopes
- 6 that more attention will be given to the budget portion of
- 7 the grant.
- 8 The Need Section was therefore reduced by five
- 9 points to 20. Also, the completeness section was
- 10 increased from five to ten points and the objectives
- 11 section was therefore reduced by five to ten points.
- 12 As required by the Board in the November 2001
- 13 Board meeting the buy recycled policy criterion was
- 14 increased to 15 percent of the total points, which is 15
- 15 from ten. This led to the economic need section being
- 16 reduced by five points -- to five.
- Just to keep this really short, staff recommends
- 18 staff -- my recommendation is that the Board approve
- 19 Option 2 and direct staff to make revisions to the
- 20 resolution and reduce the match requirement to 50 percent
- 21 of the grant funds and 25 percent if the applicant
- 22 qualifies for extreme financial hardship, resolution
- 23 number 2002-56.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Jones.

1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, I'll move

- 2 adoption of Resolution 2002-56, consideration of approval
- 3 of proposed applicant eligibility, project eligibility
- 4 scoring criteria and evaluation process for fiscal 2002/3
- 5 for the Waste Tire Playground Cover Grant Program.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Second.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion
- 8 by Mr. Jones seconded by Senator Roberti.
- 9 MR. DICKINSON: With the revisions?
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: With revisions,
- 11 to approve resolution 2002-56.
- 12 Please call the roll.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chair, before going
- 14 to the vote.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm sorry. Mr.
- 16 Medina.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I did have a question, and
- 18 a concern here and that's that I raised it before, there's
- 19 an elementary school in San Francisco in a low-income
- 20 area, the George Masconi School. It's a multi-story
- 21 school where the kids have to play up on the roof when the
- 22 school was built. There were no provisions for finishing
- 23 the roof, and so the kids continue to play on the
- 24 unfinished roof.
- 25 It seems like these funds would be appropriate

1 for those purposes. However, I've been told that for some

- 2 reason it has to go through the school district. If you
- 3 know the situation of the San Francisco School District,
- 4 at this point, that may not be one of their highest
- 5 priorities.
- 6 And so I'm just wondering how can we get these
- 7 funds to a school that obviously meets all of you're
- 8 criteria, but somehow is not receiving these funds?
- 9 MR. DICKINSON: If we opened it up to all the
- 10 schools and not just kept it to the districts, we would
- 11 get, as we have in the past, 400 applications and we don't
- 12 have the staff to rate all those.
- 13 However, we did talk to the Mosconi School
- 14 District and we told them those requirements. We didn't
- 15 receive an application from that district at all. Maybe
- 16 with the grant writing process, training that's going to
- 17 be going out throughout California, maybe that will help
- 18 them assist through the red tape of their bureaucracy.
- 19 I'm not sure how to respond to that.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Well, if you knew this
- 21 school. This is in a real low income area. The Principal
- 22 does a tremendous job with the limited resources she has
- 23 in terms of personnel and other resources.
- 24 So without stronger assistance or without more
- 25 assistance to the school, it would be very difficult for

1 them, but yet the school itself is very much in need. And

- 2 it's certainly the children that are paying the price for
- 3 whatever, you know, problems the bureaucracies might have.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 5 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 6 If I could just interject. We would be more than willing
- 7 to entertain an application for that project. Part of the
- 8 problem is the lengthy procedures involved in applying for
- 9 a grant. We have many criteria. They do have to go
- 10 through and explain, provide background information,
- 11 explain, you know, budget need completeness.
- 12 We've got a criterion where we waive the match
- 13 requirement or reduce it based on economic need. Is the
- 14 Board's wish to have some possible streamline grant
- 15 process for economic need. We're not quite sure how to
- 16 assist such and individual.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I would like to have the
- 18 process that would allow a school that obviously has the
- 19 very need that we're describing in our criteria to be able
- 20 to receive funds.
- 21 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 22 And if they are unwilling to take the time to fill out the
- 23 application package, is there a way we can perhaps
- 24 streamline a process specifically for these schools?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: If you're a principal,

1 again, that has a shortage of teachers, aides and other

- 2 personnel, and resources, then somehow there must be a way
- 3 to be able to provide some assistance to that school.
- 4 SUPERVISING WASTE MANAGEMENT ENGINEER GILDART:
- 5 If I could just sort of speak up here for staff, we've
- 6 been trying to implement the Board's directions on many
- 7 different criteria here and have mentioned on other
- 8 occasions that sometimes these criteria do create
- 9 obstacles for the applicants.
- 10 We have had applications for the earlier school
- 11 bond and park bond playground grants that were filled out
- 12 by members of the PTA because there were no staff that
- 13 could be made available to put on these kinds of projects.
- 14 We are very cognizant of the need of many of
- 15 these school districts. But the Board has set certain
- 16 standards that we are trying to apply. And unless we are
- 17 directed by the Board to waive or streamline those
- 18 standards, we can't sit down and write these applications
- 19 for needy districts.
- 20 I'm more than willing to explore other ways of
- 21 assisting these, but you're putting staff in quite a bind
- 22 when --
- 23 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Well, this is not needy
- 24 district. This is a needy school.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I would hope if

1 these kids are playing on the roof and have no playground

- 2 that there might be someway that we could make an
- 3 exception and perhaps the Board member or something could
- 4 write the application.
- I understand staff's position, and we're not
- 6 saying opening it up to all single schools, but this does
- 7 sound like a real worthy cause, so I think we could do
- 8 that, and we're not asking staff to open it up.
- 9 Thank you for bringing it up.
- 10 Okay, do we have a motion?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: I made a motion.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And Senator
- 13 Roberti seconded it.
- 14 Please call the roll.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 19 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 21 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 22 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 23 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 25 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?

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1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
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- 2 Item number 22.
- 3 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: Madam Chair, Shirley
- 4 Willd-Wagner of the special waste division for the final
- 5 few items of the day.
- 6 Item 22 is a grantee request to extend grant
- 7 agreements for the project period. The actual project
- 8 period for the used oil opportunity grants that were
- 9 granted in the fifth cycle.
- 10 And making the presentation this afternoon is
- 11 Alan White.
- 12 MR. WHITE: Good evening, Madam Chair and Board
- 13 Members. Item 22, as Shirley just said, is the
- 14 consideration of approval of grantee request to extend
- 15 grant agreements for the fifth cycle used oil opportunity
- 16 grant.
- 17 The California Oil Recycling Enhancement Act
- 18 authorizes the Board to adopt the used oil recycling
- 19 program, which promotes and develops alternatives to
- 20 illegal disposal of used oil. It also authorizes the
- 21 Board to issue grants to local governments for providing
- 22 opportunities for the collection of used lubricating oil.
- 23 At its December 1999 meeting, the Board approved
- 24 22 fifth cycle used oil opportunity grants awards totaling
- 25 \$6.3 million. The grant term was from a January 1, 2000

- 1 through April 30, 2002.
- 2 By December 1st, 2001 all 22 grant projects were
- 3 still open and staff had received ten requests for
- 4 extensions for the fifth cycle opportunity grants, ranging
- 5 from two months to 18 months.
- 6 The explanations for the request are included in
- 7 Attachment 1 of the agenda item. The Board has approved a
- 8 grant extension request process for addressing this issue.
- 9 At its December 1998 meeting, the Board adopted a new
- 10 grant extension request process for grantees requesting a
- 11 time extension to their grant agreement.
- 12 The Board directed that the grant funds be
- 13 available for distribution for a maximum of three years,
- 14 beginning July 1 of the first year appropriation through
- 15 June 30 of the third year.
- 16 This standardized process requires that all
- 17 requests to extend grant agreements must be approved by
- 18 the Board.
- 19 As part of this process, staff was directed to
- 20 inform the Board, one, of the reason the grantee is
- 21 requesting an extension, two, the percentage of the
- 22 contracted funds that the grantee has spent, and three,
- 23 that the Board action is recommended by staff. As noted
- 24 earlier, this information is provided in Attachment 1 of
- 25 the agenda item.

1 The Board has utilized this process for similar

- 2 grants since its adoption. The Board approved time
- 3 extensions for several fourth cycle used oil opportunity
- 4 grants at its February 2000 meeting. Pursuant to the
- 5 direction at the December 1998 board meeting, the Board is
- 6 being asked today to consider the approval of the request
- 7 for time extensions from the ten grantees noted Attachment
- 8 1.
- 9 Staff recommends Board approval of Option 1 in
- 10 the in agenda item, and the adoption of resolution number
- 11 2002-58.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Oh, Mr. Eaton has a
- 15 question.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm sorry about this, but
- 18 this one has taken us many years to correct. When I first
- 19 came to the Board, these grant extensions were made
- 20 routinely. And we had an accounting problem and a reserve
- 21 of several million dollars, I think \$23 million to be
- 22 exact or something like that.
- 23 We instituted these reforms. And I was assured
- 24 at that time that we would have no further extensions
- 25 because we needed at least two cycles to get the word out,

1 that somehow we were granting no more extensions, and then

- 2 we, for good cause, I think, did grant extensions
- 3 previously as mentioned in the February board meetings.
- 4 But if you look at some of these funds and the
- 5 fact that like hundreds of thousands of dollars in some
- 6 cases have never been expended, and they say that they
- 7 need 12 more months to be able to distribute 500 door
- 8 hangers to 500 more residences. And therefore, we ought
- 9 to extend the monies totaling some \$111,000 so they can
- 10 deliver 500 more door hangers, I don't think is a valid
- 11 extension request.
- 12 And I think there a number of those on this list
- 13 that do not warrant the extensions. There's others where
- 14 there's been bad weather or that they've fulfilled their
- 15 agreement, and for whatever reason contracts are falling
- 16 through, those are okay. But I don't believe that at
- 17 least a wholesale granting of all these extensions are
- 18 warranted, and I'd be happy to, if you wanted to delay
- 19 this, come back with my recommended list tomorrow.
- 20 But if you just look through the reasons for the
- 21 request, I mean, it doesn't make sense. All of these, and
- 22 Ms. Wagner can back me up, because I've harped on this
- 23 forever, this is money that they needed an extra cycle to
- 24 expend. They haven't expended the money, and they just
- 25 keep the money in there and the reserves go and they use

1 it for other things, and then they come back with these

- 2 requests for extension.
- 3 The money has to be spent. The oil has to be
- 4 collected. The programs have to be done. It does no good
- 5 for us to provide money where the money isn't being used,
- 6 and especially the larger balances of like one of 157,000,
- 7 some 238,000 because Folsom Lake was low.
- 8 Folsom Lake has only been low for one year.
- 9 Folsom Lake, we had more than abundance of water the last
- 10 couple of years, and yet they can't spend 238,000 for
- 11 boating and oil.
- 12 My recommendation would be is that only in rare
- 13 cases should we grant the extensions, and I would say that
- 14 probably only two to three in here are even warranted. At
- 15 least we should set some criteria that they have to expend
- 16 the funds at a certain level.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton, can we
- 18 trail this till tomorrow?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Yes.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Twenty-two is
- 21 trailed till tomorrow. The last item is 24.
- 22 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: Could I just make one comment
- 23 on that. We do have several speakers here today that
- 24 could answer perhaps specific questions. I'm not sure of
- 25 their availability.

1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm sorry, I

- 2 didn't have any speaker slips. I don't know anyone was
- 3 here.
- 4 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: Just because that particular
- 5 one was brought up, I was thinking I know that the
- 6 representative from El Dorado County is here. I'm not
- 7 sure if these people are able to come back tomorrow or
- 8 not.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Who's here on
- 10 this item?
- 11 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: El Dorado county, Sonoma
- 12 County.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Oh my gosh. I
- 14 apologize. I had no idea you were all here.
- 15 MR. WHITE: They were basically here if you had a
- 16 question on a particular, then we would bring them up.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, that's --
- 18 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: I can also answer one other
- 19 specific question from Board Member Eaton. And I do agree
- 20 with what he'd been saying. The one difference is that
- 21 block grants, the used oil block grants, which are
- 22 noncompetitive grants we will guarantee that those will
- 23 not be extended and we have not extended those past that
- 24 first cycle.
- 25 These are opportunity grants, which is a

1 competitive grant cycle. And they're usually more dollars

- 2 for bigger ticket items, the one-time expense type items.
- 3 And they have had only a two-year project period.
- 4 Whereas, the actual policy that was approved by the Board
- 5 in '98 said that grants over three years should come to
- 6 the Board. These have only had two years and a month or
- 7 so, but because of the fiscal year of encumbrance, that's
- 8 the reason that we're coming to you at this time for an
- 9 extension.
- 10 My voice is giving out. My cold is a little bit
- 11 long. That's the reason. They have only had two years to
- 12 expend the funds rather than the three.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Since we
- 14 have these members here, I'd hate to have them come back
- 15 tomorrow. Which cities do they -- which questions did you
- 16 have, Mr. Eaton?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Well --
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: While he's looking, can I
- 19 ask a question? That will give him a chance. Our normal
- 20 opportunity grants are three-year grant cycles?
- 21 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: We would like them to be
- 22 three-year grant cycles, but with the fiscal constraints,
- 23 no, they're usually about two years by the time the grant
- 24 is awarded and gone through the review cycle and comes to
- 25 the Board, it's usually only a two-year project period.

1 That's because of the fiscal year encumbrance and

- 2 the current policy. That could be changed, of course, as
- 3 the Board looks at that policy. It could be made to be
- 4 three years a project period, because these funds are
- 5 continuously appropriated.
- 6 MR. WHITE: Some of the grants that Mr. Eaton
- 7 mentioned, the Stanislaus County the 111,000, they are
- 8 here. If you notice, the write-up on it though we have
- 9 two, Stanislaus County and Pasa Robles, who actually did
- 10 so good they saved so much money, that they're asking for
- 11 an extension to use the money they saved in the cost
- 12 savings and the efficient programs they have to continue
- 13 those programs on for that third year, so they don't
- 14 really meet the criteria or the criticism that Board
- 15 Member Eaton said on Stanislaus County and Pasa Robles, if
- 16 you'll notice those two.
- I even have a little star a my sheet. In fact,
- 18 they did so good that, you know, they said well we save
- 19 all this money, can we go ahead and use this money rather
- 20 than come back for a grant some other time. If we've got
- 21 it and we've got the program in place, can we go ahead and
- 22 use that. So there's two there in that category. And
- 23 then we do have several -- a couple people still left
- 24 here, if you would like to talk to them.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: What is their cost savings?

1 How did they save 54 percent and how is that 54 percent

- 2 totaling \$111,000 turn into 500 door hangers.
- 3 MR. McARGUE: Jim McArgue, I'm registered as an
- 4 Environmental Health Specialist with the Stanislaus County
- 5 Department of Environmental Resources. I'll point out a
- 6 clarification. The number you have of \$111,871.56. The
- 7 actual number for the February report was due Friday, and
- 8 we now have invoiced the Waste Board for our current
- 9 expenditures and the actual number is 57,626.72 just to
- 10 give you an idea of how we have saved money, which is very
- 11 good especially for us.
- 12 And what we were able to do is do some block
- 13 advertising with other departments within our county and
- 14 were able to reduce the original cost estimates that were
- 15 put in the grant application.
- 16 Secondly, our subcontractor for our outreach
- 17 program, we spent a significant amount of time looking at
- 18 the line items and their budget, and were able to reduce
- 19 the costs significantly by taking a closer look at exactly
- 20 what they do and how they were doing it.
- 21 Essentially we have fulfilled all the items that
- 22 were originally proposed in the grant. We are now left
- 23 over with \$57,000. We feel like we have an opportunity to
- 24 do additional outreach to these 500 very targeted
- 25 individual households, and we would like to use these

- 1 funds to actually expand upon what we've done already.
- 2 In the year 2000 annual report, we noticed a 25
- 3 percent increase in used motor oil collection at permanent
- 4 the household facility collection center. In the last six
- 5 months, we've collected over 14 thousand gallons from
- 6 certified centers.
- 7 So I think we're doing an extremely good job and
- 8 we would just like to have the opportunity to complete and
- 9 carry it a little further.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: It doesn't show those
- 11 figures. All I have is 111, so --
- 12 MR. McARGUE: It was Friday that the report was
- 13 due.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Well, --
- 15 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: The February 15th report was
- 16 representative of El Dorado. I don't know if you want to
- 17 dress the Folsom Lake issue at all.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: What do you have left, as of
- 19 Friday, in Folsom?
- 20 MR. JOHNSON: David Johnson.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Is that an accurate figure?
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: State your name.
- 23 MR. JOHNSON: Dave Johnson, El Dorado County.
- 24 Madam Chair and Members of the Board, good evening.
- We have also recently submitted our progress

1 report, which reduced the outstanding balance by about

- 2 \$78,000. We don't know exactly how much is left, but it's
- 3 roughly \$150,000.
- 4 As Alan mentioned, this two-year grant cycle is
- 5 not a three year. And in the summary you have, it doesn't
- 6 full explain our reasoning for not fully implementing the
- 7 grant. This application was written by a person who was
- 8 let go from the county at about the same time the grant
- 9 was awarded.
- 10 She was replaced by someone who was only there
- 11 for a few months. And then in the spring of 2001, a
- 12 couple long-term county employees, myself, and Michelle
- 13 Opalenick assumed the project and did fully implement the
- 14 marina and rerefined oil program through the summer of
- 15 2001.
- 16 We have done the outreach. We've done everything
- 17 that we set out to do in the project narrative for one
- 18 year. Basically, we're just trying to do what we promise
- 19 to do in the application and conduct a two-year marina and
- 20 rerefined oil program.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Madam Chair, I don't want to
- 22 take up anymore time, but then I have a question as to how
- 23 we can approve the contract amounts at the beginning, when
- 24 we have a history that they can't spend the money this
- 25 fast, and in this amount or is it just that these

1 individuals can't spend the money like the others can who

- 2 have been awarded? And is this program over subscribed or
- 3 undersubscribed.
- 4 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: This is oversubscribed.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: So the money that they would
- 6 be taking that they weren't able to spend meant that
- 7 someone else couldn't use the program when we first
- 8 approved the grants.
- 9 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: I would like to make a
- 10 suggestion that we look at making these three-year project
- 11 periods. Many of the scopes are very, very difficult and
- 12 ambitious to accomplish in two years. A lot of them are
- 13 capital outlay major campaigns, et cetera, that would be
- 14 more appropriately covered in the three-year term.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Madam Chair, it's been a
- 16 long day. If you want to -- I'm going to vote no.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, we did say
- 18 we were going to trail it. Did you want to just go ahead
- 19 with it?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER EATON: It's up to the rest of the
- 21 Board Members. You know, from my standpoint, I think that
- 22 this is a systemic problem. We grant all this money and
- 23 then they can't spend it, and we award it. And yet this
- 24 is a program wherein others were denied monies because
- 25 these other individuals got the money based on the belief

- 1 that they would spend the money.
- 2 And if you look at the percentage of money spent,
- 3 either with what was on Friday, which we don't have, or
- 4 what's here in our binders right now, you can see that
- 5 there's an inherent unfairness or that we are either not
- 6 doing our job to properly evaluate whether or not they can
- 7 spend the money. And therefore when we tell them well,
- 8 we're only going to award you \$100,000 instead of the 300
- 9 you wanted, they cry, and now all of a sudden they can't
- 10 spends it.
- 11 And others who may have had programs which would
- 12 have widened the net of used oil collection have gone
- 13 without.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, I know this has
- 16 been a huge issue for Board Member Eaton to try to get
- 17 this figured out, and hopefully we will use the time. I'm
- 18 going to move this motion, because I think the people are
- 19 here, and I think these programs need to be sustained.
- We may want to coordinate, in future years, that
- 21 if they're all supposed to report on July -- or on the
- 22 15th, maybe we have the item written the following month,
- 23 so we might have a little more accurate thing, but I know
- 24 that's tough.
- 25 But I do think that these programs have to

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1 continue. I'm going to move adoption of Resolution
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- 2 2002-58, consideration of approval of grantee request to
- 3 extend grant agreements for the Used Oil Opportunity
- 4 Grants, fifth cycle.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion
- 6 by Mr. Jones and I'll go ahead and second it to approve
- 7 Resolution 2002-58.
- 8 Please call the roll.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: No.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: No.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 16 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Thank you.
- The last item is number 24.
- 22 MS. WILLD-WAGNER: Item 24 is consideration of
- 23 approval of the California Coastal Commissioner as the
- 24 contractor for Phase 3 for the Boating Clean and Green
- 25 campaign for fiscal year 2001/2002. This is based on a

- 1 contract concept approved by the Board.
- 2 And Anna Ward will be making this presentation.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, Ms. Ward,
- 4 and if you could give a brief one, it's been a long day,
- 5 and we still have a closed session, and most of us love
- 6 this program.
- 7 (Laughter.)
- 8 MS. WARD: Since 1997 the Board has supported the
- 9 California Coastal Commission as contractor for the
- 10 Boating Clean and Green campaign. The Campaign has a
- 11 comprehensive boater education program to reduce the
- 12 impacts of boating on California's environment. This
- 13 includes an extensive used oil management education
- 14 program, which has been developed and implemented for the
- 15 boating community throughout the State.
- The second phase of this campaign is
- 17 collaboration has ended December 2001. Now, as the
- 18 Coastal Commission continues into Phase 3 of the campaign,
- 19 financing for most of the program will becoming from some
- 20 federal sources, which include the National Oceanic and
- 21 Atmospheric Administration, as well as the U.S.
- 22 Environmental Protection Agency.
- 23 The Commission is now requesting from the Board
- 24 funding for mostly educational outreach materials, which
- 25 are listed in the agenda in the agenda items and the scope

- 1 of work.
- 2 Staff recommends that the Board prove Option 1,
- 3 to improve the interagency agreement with the California
- 4 Coastal Commission, as contractor for Phase three of the
- 5 boating clean and green campaign, by adopting resolution
- 6 number 2002-112. Chris Perry, the Public Education
- 7 Program Manager from the Coastal Commission is here today
- 8 if you have any questions regarding the Program.
- 9 Thank you.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I want to move adoption of
- 13 resolution 200-1112, consideration of the approval of an
- 14 inter-agency agreement with the California Coastal
- 15 Commission for Phase 3 of the Boating Clean and Green
- 16 Campaign, fiscal year 2001 to used oil, program concept
- 17 number 45.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay we have a
- 20 motion by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr. Paparian to approve
- 21 Resolution 2002112. Did you want to say something?
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I just wanted to say, for
- 23 the Members who weren't here today, too bad you didn't get
- 24 to seat the bucket. I mean, it took us a long time to get
- 25 this contract finally through it and there was a bucket

1 that he had tat they gave to everybody to understand this,

- 2 so congratulations with your program. Congratulations
- 3 with your program, you're doing a good job.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, and
- 5 thank you for your perseverance today.
- 6 Please call the roll.
- 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 19 As I mentioned earlier, we will have a closed
- 20 session, but we will probably just be taking up one item,
- 21 because of the lateness, and some people have to leave.
- 22 We will be having a closed session tomorrow, so thank you
- 23 very much for your patience.
- 24 (Thereupon the California Integrated Waste
- 25 Management Board meeting adjounred at 5:55 p.m.)

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